

## EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

### RECOGNIZING OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY MONTH

#### HON. ILEANA ROS-LEHTINEN

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, April 28, 1998*

Ms. ROS-LEHTINEN. Mr. Speaker, in honor of Occupational Therapy Month, I would like to recognize Occupational Therapists nationwide for the wonderful work they do on a daily basis to help Americans regain their full physical capabilities. I would like to recognize Continued Care Corporation of Miami which will soon be celebrating the opening of its Rehabilitation Division and will become part of this wonderful network of occupational therapy providers.

It is important to realize the contributions that Occupational Therapists make in our daily lives as well as the positive impact they have on the health care community. In addition to contributing to a significant decrease in a patient's hospital length of stay, they also reduce the amount of care and services patients require after discharge. For the patient, the benefits of therapy translate into the prevention of further complications or disabilities and the ability to resume their normal lives.

The commitment of our Nation's Occupational Therapists to providing an opportunity for those with physical ailments and disabilities to participate to their fullest abilities should be recognized and recommended.

### IN RECOGNITION OF ROY WYSE

#### HON. RICHARD A. GEPHARDT

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, April 28, 1998*

Mr. GEPHARDT. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to a good friend and dedicated representative of working people, Roy Wyse. Roy is retiring as Secretary Treasurer of the United Auto Workers International Union after thirty-six years of leadership in the union.

Roy was hired by the Ford Motor Company in 1951, and immediately joined UAW Local 249 in Claycomo, Missouri. After being elected to the shop committee, Roy quickly rose within the UAW leadership. He was elevated to Secretary Treasurer in 1995, the second highest office in the union.

The safety and welfare of the working men and women of the UAW have always driven Roy's life. He has been a tireless fighter on their behalf, and his efforts have had a tremendous impact on the ability of working families to hold a secure job, receive a fair paycheck, and raise a family. Roy has worked to help people outside the union as well. His community involvement has ranged from serving as president of a local board of education,

teaching Sunday school classes, and working as a volunteer fireman.

I applaud Roy's commitment to public service, and wish him and his wife Pat all the best in the years to come.

### A TRIBUTE TO REDLANDS POLICE CHIEF, LEWIS NELSON

#### HON. JERRY LEWIS

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, April 28, 1998*

Mr. LEWIS of California. Mr. Speaker, I would like to bring to your attention today the fine work and outstanding public service of my good friend, Lewis W. Nelson, the Chief of Police for the City of Redlands, California. After a long and distinguished career, Chief Nelson is retiring and will be recognized for his many years of service at a banquet in his honor on May 21st.

Lewis Nelson served in the U.S. Army as a medical specialist in Vietnam from 1967 to 1969. He received his Associate of Arts degree from San Bernardino Valley College (1970-72), his BS from California State University-Los Angeles (1972-74), a Master of Public Administration from the University of Southern California (1975-77) and a Masters of Science from California Polytechnic University in Pomona (1993-95).

He began his professional career with the Redlands Police Department in 1969 as a police officer. Since that time he has consistently moved up through the ranks receiving promotions to police detective (1973-74), police sergeant (1974-77), police lieutenant (1977-82), police captain (1982-83), and chief of police (1993-present). Throughout his career, he has earned professional certifications from the California Law Enforcement Command College (1992-94), the FBI National Academy (1983), and the Law Enforcement Executive Development Seminar (1998).

Chief Nelson has been a member and leader of numerous professional organizations including the San Bernardino County Chiefs and Sheriffs Association, the FBI Law Enforcement Executive Development Association, the California Police Chiefs Association, the FBI National Academy Associates, Police Futurists Society, the National Institute of Criminal Justice, the California Peace Officers Association, and others.

Over the years, Chief Nelson has also been closely affiliated with a great many community organizations including the Veterans of Foreign Wars, Rotary Club of Redlands, Redlands East Valley United Way, Redlands Family YMCA, Youth Development Incorporated, Redlands Baseball for Youth and Redlands AYSO Soccer.

Mr. Speaker, I ask that you join me and our colleagues in recognizing the many years of

remarkable service of Chief Nelson. My hometown of Redlands, California is especially proud of the work he has done on behalf of our entire community. I also want to wish Chief Nelson, his wife Kathleen, son Brett, and daughter Kristen much happiness and the very best in the years ahead.

### CELEBRATING THE 60TH BIRTHDAY OF REVEREND NORMA JEAN PENDER

#### HON. DEBBIE STABENOW

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, April 28, 1998*

Ms. STABENOW. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay special tribute to Reverend Norma Jean Pender who is celebrating her 60th birthday.

For thirty-five years, Ms. Pender has served the people of Michigan and has been a tireless leader for the community. Ms. Pender received her license to preach the Gospel in the Christian Episcopal Church in 1974, and was ordained in 1978 by the late Bishop E.P. Murchison. In 1982, she accepted the call to the position of Pastor of the New Jerusalem Temple Baptist Church. In 1985, she was ordained in the Baptist faith through the National Baptist Convention, USA.

Along with her responsibilities to her church, she has also been committed to a vast array of community projects, such as the NAACP, the American Business Women's Association, and the Minister's Volunteer Services for the Harper Hospital Cancer Society.

During her thirty-five years, Ms. Pender has served as musical leader, teacher, community spokesperson, and spiritual advisor to people of all ages. Most of all, through song, she showed her passion for life and her faith in God.

While many of us know her as Reverend Mother on a popular radio show she hosts each weekday, Ms. Pender is also known as a woman committed to family, the community and the gospel. I thank her for the example she has set for so many of our young children as well as adults and wish her a very happy birthday.

### IN HONOR OF THE 25TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE NEW KARLIN HALL AND CLUB

#### HON. DENNIS J. KUCINICH

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, April 28, 1998*

Mr. KUCINICH. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the 25th anniversary of the dedication of the new Karlin Hall and Club in Cleveland Ohio.

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Early Czech settlers in the area gave the neighborhood surrounding lower Fleet Avenue the nickname, Karlin. The name stuck and the original Karlin Hall became the center of the Czech Karlin neighborhood. The hall was founded in 1936 by three lodges of the Czech Catholic Fraternal Insurance Society, the Catholic Workmen. In 1972, a disastrous fire left the original hall in ruins, but it was rebuilt in the same location and reopened May 1, 1978. The dedication of the new Karlin Hall marks the beginning of the renovation of lower Fleet Avenue and the Slavic Village area. Today, 14 different groups call Karlin Hall their home.

The anniversary will be celebrated with special masses at St. John Nepomucene Church and Our Lady of Lourdes Church. The three-day party to commemorate the occasion starts May 1 and will include live music, Slovak folk dancing and social dinners.

My fellow colleagues, please join me in saluting the members of Karlin Hall.

#### TRIBUTE TO CORTEZ KENNEDY

##### HON. MARION BERRY

OF ARKANSAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, April 28, 1998

Mr. BERRY. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to a terrific young man.

Many of you may recognize the name Cortez Kennedy. Cortez is a star defensive tackle for the Seattle Seahawks in the National Football League. Aside from being an accomplished athlete and six-time Pro Bowl player, Cortez is an admirable human being who has not forgotten his beginnings.

Cortez grew up in Mississippi County in the First Congressional District of Arkansas. He went to school and played football in Wilson, Arkansas. Each summer, Cortez returns to Rivercrest High School in Wilson to host a football clinic for the youngsters in his hometown. The stars that turn out each year to help Cortez teach the children are a testament to the relationship he has with his peers. Widely-known football players like Derek Thomas, Russell Maryland, and Rick Mirer, and coaches like Barry Switzer have all traveled to Wilson at Cortez's request.

On April 18, I was honored to attend a ceremony in Wilson to witness the renaming of Main Street to Cortez Kennedy Avenue. I want to extend my heartfelt thanks to Cortez for all he has done for Wilson and Mississippi County. He is truly a superb young man.

#### NOTRE DAME COMBINING RESEARCH AND RELIGION

##### HON. TIM ROEMER

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, April 28, 1998

Mr. ROEMER. Mr. Speaker, I would like to draw my colleagues' attention to the following December 10, 1997 article in the New York Times about the University of Notre Dame.

[From the New York Times, Dec. 10, 1997]

#### NOTRE DAME COMBINING RESEARCH AND RELIGION

(By Ethan Bronner)

NOTRE DAME, IND., Dec. 4.—At the end of a century in which the great American universities have moved from being extensions of churches to centers of secularism, the University of Notre Dame is carving itself an important niche as an institution of serious scholarship with a deeply religious environment.

Some colleges are religious; others have vital research centers. Notre Dame is rare in combining the two.

The religious nature of Notre Dame is felt not only in the crucifixes that hang in every class, the Roman Catholic priests who live in every dormitory, the Mass recited nightly and the forbidding of men and women to enter each other's dormitory rooms after a certain hour. It comes as well in the work being fostered here.

Political scientists are reclaiming Augustine to examine "just war" theory. Law professors are focusing on neglected church views about dying in legal debates on assisted suicide. Historians are emphasizing the role of local parishes in understanding urban race relations.

Some of these approaches would have been dismissed as almost ridiculously retrograde a generation ago, yet scholars here and elsewhere say the American academy seems surprisingly receptive to them today because they bring new or lost perspectives to vital subjects.

This comes at a time of newfound self-confidence for Notre Dame. Flush with cash from rich alumni and proceeds from its storied football team, the university is discovering it can lure scholars, including non-Catholics, from top institutions by promoting religion.

"When I was a graduate student at Harvard 25 years ago, the whole idea of working in a religious framework was bizarre," said James Turner, an intellectual historian who moved here recently from the University of Michigan. "Augustine had become a kind of museum artifact to be studied only by the appropriate curators. But now we are making the case that neglected religious sources can help reconfigure academic discussion."

Professor Turner is director of the newly established Erasmus Institute here, a unique interdisciplinary effort that seeks to be a national model for the reinvigoration of Catholic and other religious intellectual traditions in contemporary scholarship.

He is among recent catches for Notre Dame in a highly competitive academic environment. Others have been lured to the prairies of northern Indiana by the idea of turning a respectable academic institution into a truly fine one.

Philip L. Quinn left an endowed chair in philosophy at Brown University for one here because, he said: "In my personal and professional life I take religion seriously. In the secular academy, they are not much concerned with religion. They look at it from the social science perspective."

George M. Marsden, a historian of religion and a devout Protestant, left Duke University for Notre Dame because, he said, only here did he feel there was the desire for a high-level scholarly discussion within a Christian context.

While there are scores of small Christian colleges across the United States, none can lay claim to being a center of scholarship outside the Christian world. Notre Dame can.

One of its sources of pride is its new Irish Studies Institute, financed with a gift of \$13 million from Donald R. Keough, an alumnus who was president of Coca-Cola from 1981 to 1993.

The donation has made it possible to attract Seamus Deane, one of the most distinguished Irish scholars and authors, as director. Professor Deane, whose novel, "Reading in the Dark" (Knopf, 1997), was received with high praise earlier this year, says that by September 1998 there will be six full-time faculty members and one visiting professor at the institute, making it the biggest such program in the country.

"We're not on the scale of Johns Hopkins or M.I.T.," said the Rev. Edward A. Malloy, Notre Dame's president, "but we are increasing the intellectual resources so as to make this a great university. With the Erasmus Institute and Irish studies we have identified areas of intellectual engagement where we can make a real contribution."

Notre Dame has long had a special place among American universities but not largely for its scholarship. Founded in 1842 by a priest of the Congregation of Holy Cross, it was to American Catholics in the mid-20th century what City College was to New York Jews, a welcoming place to study without fear of prejudice.

The dominance of its football team under a series of legendary coaches beginning with Knute Rockne—and the public way in which teams recited Mass before each game—focused the loyalty of many American Catholics who tended to regard Notre Dame with almost Lourdes-like devotion.

In recent decades, the university's endowment has risen to \$1.5 billion, nearly 30 times what it was in 1970.

U.S. News and World Report ranks Notre Dame 19th of national universities and a recent book, "The Rise of American Research Universities" (Johns Hopkins, 1997), named Notre Dame as among a handful of top rising private research universities.

It is the combination of competitiveness and tradition that attracted M. Cathleen Kaveny to join the law faculty here three years ago. Holder of a doctorate and a law degree from Yale University, Professor Kaveny has become an expert on assisted suicide by drawing on Catholic teachings. She is planning a scholarly study of mercy, how a society should feed its hungry and comfort its sick.

"These are areas that I could never pursue as a junior faculty member at another law school," Professor Kaveny said. "I would be laughed at. Here they are excited about it."

There is some concern that all the talk about rediscovering Christian sources will serve as a pretext for squelching free inquiry. Michael A. Signer, a Reform rabbi who holds a chair here in Jewish culture, says Notre Dame is still grappling with being both Catholic and catholic. The test of the Erasmus Institute, Rabbi Signer says, will be to see how it handles that tension, whether it reaches out to other traditions or barricades itself in.

Alan Wolfe, who describes himself as a secular sociologist at Boston University, wrote recently in The Chronicle of Higher Education that the revival of religion in the academy at places like Notre Dame was welcome.

"To study the world's great literary works, many of which were inspired by religious questions, without full appreciation of those questions is like performing Hamlet without the Prince," Mr. Wolfe wrote. "Critics of academic specialization in the humanities



often say that English departments, infatuated with contemporary works, no longer teach enough Milton or Tolstoy. It would be more correct to say that, through the lens of secularism, they are teaching them inaccurately."

# INTRODUCING THE AVIATION BILATERAL ACCOUNTABILITY ACT

**HON. WILLIAM O. LIPINSKI**

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, April 28, 1998*

Mr. LIPINSKI. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to introduce a piece of legislation entitled the Aviation Bilateral Accountability Act. The Aviation Bilateral Accountability Act is a bill that will require Congressional approval of all U.S. aviation bilateral agreements.

International aviation is governed by a series of bilateral civil aviation agreements between countries. Unlike other sectors of the economy that tend to be handled through multilateral agreements, such as the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade, issues regarding international aviation are resolved through government-to-government negotiations. For example, if a U.S. air carrier wants to fly into and out of another country, the American government must first negotiate with the government of that country to determine the terms under which the carriers from both countries will operate. Terms of bilateral civil aviation agreements include, among other things, route assignments, capacity and frequency limitations, carrier designations, and pricing controls.

U.S. bilateral aviation agreements are executive agreements. They are negotiated and signed by representatives from the Department of State and the Department of Transportation. Unfortunately, Congress does not play any official role in the approval of bilateral aviation agreements.

As the Ranking Member of the House Subcommittee on Aviation, I strongly believe that Congress deserves to play a role in approving bilateral aviation agreements. As Members of Congress, we represent the businessperson, the leisure traveler, the consumer—the flying public in general. We should have the right to make sure that bilateral aviation agreements are negotiated to give U.S. consumers the most access to international aviation markets at the best price.

For this reason, I introduced the Aviation Bilateral Accountability Act, a bill to require Congressional approval of all U.S. aviation bilateral agreements. International aviation, which is based on bilateral aviation agreements, has a tremendous impact on the U.S. economy and U.S. citizens. Congress should not be excluded from agreements of such magnitude. As elected Representatives of the people, we owe it to the American consumer to look out for his or her best interests. My legislation will help Members of Congress better represent the flying public by giving Congress an integral role in the approval of U.S. bilateral aviation agreements.

The Aviation Bilateral Accountability Act will require implementing legislation for each U.S. bilateral aviation agreement, similar to the leg-

islation required for trade agreements such as NAFTA. Under the bill, each bilateral agreement would be presented to Congress by the Secretaries involved in the negotiations. An approval resolution would then be introduced and referred for a limited number of days to the House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee and the Senate Commerce Committee. After Committee review, a straight up-or-down vote would then be required in both chambers. Finally, once the approval resolution passes both the House and the Senate, and is signed into law, then the bilateral aviation agreement would be official.

Mr. Speaker, in closing, I would like to thank the gentleman from Oregon, Representative PETER DEFAZIO, for joining me as an original co-sponsor of this important legislation. In addition, I urge all my colleagues to co-sponsor the Aviation Bilateral Accountability Act.

# IN HONOR OF BAYONNE YOUTH CENTER, INC.

**HON. ROBERT MENENDEZ**

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, April 28, 1998*

Mr. MENENDEZ. Mr. Speaker, I am delighted to rise today to thank and congratulate four citizens of Bayonne, New Jersey who have contributed immensely to the Bayonne Youth Center and the entire community. As it celebrates its 53rd anniversary at the HI Hat in Bayonne, The Bayonne Youth Center will honor Mrs. Susan Y. Davis, the recipient of the Sabra Jackson Award; Assemblyman Joseph V. Doria, Jr., recipient of the Humanitarian Award; Curtis Nelson, the winner of the Service Award; and Wilhelmina Wilson, who is receiving the Volunteer Service Award. Also being recognized at the dinner will be the Youth of the Month and the Art and Essay contests winners.

I would like to take a moment to tell you about these four remarkable constituents. Susan Y. Davis is continually active in community service. She has served on the Bayonne Community Day Nursery Board, Midtown Community School Advisory Council, and is a member of the Bayonne Youth Center's Board of Directors. She is also active in St. Patrick's Church of Jersey City. Susan received the 1995 NAACP Community Service award.

Assembly Democratic Leader Joseph V. Doria, Jr., recipient of the Humanitarian Award, has a distinguished career in public and community service. He serves as a member of the Board of Directors of Liberty Health Care Systems, and has served as a board member of St. Ann's Home for the Aged. Assemblyman Doria has received more than 110 awards and citations from both public and private groups, including the Deborah Hospital Foundation's Children of the World Award and the Liberty Science Center's Legislator's Award.

Wilhelmina Wilson, winner of the Volunteer Service Award, lives her life exemplifying the philosophy of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., by promoting peace and goodwill towards all people. She is a faithful member of the Wallace

Temple A.M.E. Zion Church and has received numerous awards for her outstanding church service. Wilson is a member of the Bayonne branch of the NAACP and has been a long-standing member and supporter of the Bayonne Youth Center.

Curtis Nelson, who was awarded the Service Award, has always made sure to give back to his community. During his work for New Jersey Transit, he received many Service Star Awards for his exemplary service. Nelson has been leader of the Neighborhood Block Association for 25 years and was the first black Commander of the F.A. Mackenzie Post of Bayonne where he raised money for many charities. He is also a member of the Pride of Bayonne Lodge No. 461.

These four extraordinary citizens who have given so much back to their community and the Bayonne Youth Center deserve our respect and admiration.

# HONORING THE WEEK OF APRIL 26-MAY 2, 1998 AS NATIONAL SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY WEEK

**HON. F. JAMES SENSENBRENNER, JR.**

OF WISCONSIN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, April 28, 1998*

Mr. SENSENBRENNER. Mr. Speaker, I rise to say a few words in honor of the 14th annual National Science and Technology Week.

During this week the National Science Foundation performs its most important public outreach activities of the year; getting children excited about science and technology. This year's theme for National Science and Technology Week is "Polar Connections." It draws attention to the scientific research being performed in the Arctic and in the Antarctic.

The North and South Poles are truly unlike any place on the planet. As Chairman of the Science Committee, I've had the opportunity to travel to Antarctica to visit NSF's South Pole Station, and I can tell you that it is a remarkable place. The men and women who perform research at the South Pole work under conditions that make the winters in Wisconsin look comparatively easy. For example, in 1989 researchers from the University of Wisconsin measured temperature variations at the South Pole ranging from -7 °F to -117 °F. The South Pole receives less than a foot of snow per year, yet it is covered by an ice-sheet that is nearly two-miles thick. Geographically it is 1.5 times the size of the continental United States and a year's worth of supplies must be fit onto the one supply ship that ventures to Antarctica once a year. When the sun goes down on March 21st, it doesn't come up again until September 21st.

This week's activities were not designed simply to draw attention to the Poles, but rather to the work being performed there. The North and South Poles are unique, natural laboratories and offer matchless opportunities to study our environment.

Highlighting the combination of the important and unique research being performed at the Poles and the harsh and dangerous living conditions there is, in my opinion, a great way

to make children curious about science and technology. When children are introduced to the conditions at the Poles, they may wonder: How can anything survive in such cold conditions? How do you study geology when the ground's under two miles of ice? How do you get everything you need to the South Pole? How do you fit a year's supply of goods on one ship? Getting kids to ask these questions is the goal of National Science and Technology Week. I think that "Polar Connections" is a terrific theme for National Science and Technology Week, and I am confident that this year's activities will be a great success.

I must add that just as they did last year, the National Science Foundation has once again set up its "Ask a Scientist or Engineer" phone-bank at 1-888-718-3026. The phone-bank will be open on Wednesday, April 29th, from 9:00 am to 8:00 pm. This year's e-mail address is [nstw@nsf.gov](mailto:nstw@nsf.gov). More information about National Science and Technology Week can be found at NSF's web-page at [www.nsf.gov](http://www.nsf.gov).

Mr. Speaker, I encourage my fellow Members to strongly support this program, and join with me in celebrating National Science and Technology Week.

#### A TRIBUTE TO PHYLLIS NEWMAN

##### HON. JERRY LEWIS

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, April 28, 1998*

Mr. LEWIS of California. Mr. Speaker, I would like to bring to your attention today the fine work and outstanding contributions of Phyllis Newman. Congregation Emanu El of San Bernardino, California will honor Phyllis on June 6th as this year's recipient of the Rabbi Norman F. Feldheim Award for distinguished service to the congregation and community. She will be recognized at a dinner dance which will also commemorate the 107th anniversary of the chartering of the congregation.

The Norman F. Feldheim Award was established to pay tribute to those Members of Congregation Emanu El who have, in their own lives, reflected Rabbi Feldheim's qualities of love for and loyalty to the synagogue, service of the community, as well as evidencing personal traits of humility, loving kindness, care and love. Phyllis Newman has been a particularly devoted leader of Congregation Emanu El through her service as president of its sisterhood and a member of the Board of Directors of the congregation. She has also edited and produced over 15 commemorative journals which have been efforts to raise funds for the congregation. During this time, she has been an inspiring example of generosity and commitment.

Phyllis has also been a very active participant in numerous community organizations including the Assistance League and the San Bernardino Area Mental Health Association. She is also very widely known for her deep devotion to her faith and her family.

Mr. Speaker, I ask that you join me, our colleagues and the many dear friends of Phyllis Newman in recognizing this remarkable

woman as she is presented with the Rabbi Norman F. Feldheim Award. It is especially appropriate that this honor is being bestowed at a ceremony also marking the 107th anniversary of the founding of Congregation Emanu El.

#### MILDRED KIEFER WURF—A VIGOROUS ADVOCATE FOR GIRLS

##### HON. ELEANOR HOLMES NORTON

OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, April 28, 1998*

Ms. NORTON. Mr. Speaker, I rise to pay tribute to Mildred Kiefer Wurf, the distinguished and highly respected Director of Public Policy of Girls Incorporated who has been a powerful voice for girls for nearly three decades.

Mrs. Wurf began her career as a senior staff member on the President's Council on Youth Opportunity and established contacts with more than 175 voluntary and professional organizations for this White House agency, promoting programs for disadvantaged youth within the nonprofit sector and among federal agencies. She has served as an appointee to the U.S. Department of Labor, Citizen Review Commission, Comprehensive Youth Employment Commission, U.S. Travel Service Advisory Committee, U.S. Department of Commerce, and the National Commission on Youth, Kettering Foundation and the Government Relations Committee of the Independent Sector. Mildred Kiefer Wurf served as the founding coordinator of the National Collaboration for Youth, where she brought together directors of 13 national organizations, developed management and funding symposiums, drafted statements on youth issues, wrote testimony and briefed principals and facilitated large youth employment and delinquency prevention grants.

Mr. Speaker, Mrs. Wurf was the first director of the Washington Office of Girls Clubs of America. She monitored hearings and legislation, testified before congressional committees, was responsible for staffing the Expansion, Development and Advocacy Committees of the National Board and originated and wrote a Washington newsletter for affiliates and Board. She has persuasively applied her passion for words both as a spokesperson and as coauthor of Girls, Inc. Advocacy publications that were used to remove barriers, provide gender equity and fight for equitable allocations of resources—"Today's Girls, Tomorrow's Women," "An Action Agenda for Equalizing Girls' Options," "Service Through Advocacy" and "Leadership Through Advocacy."

She has initiated successful collaborations with national women's organizations including the American Association of University Women, National Council of Jewish Women, The Committee of 100 Black Women and the National Federation of Business and Professional Women's Clubs Inc., among others, that resulted in noteworthy initiatives such as the "Women Helping Girls With Choices" Project. She has been an active volunteer serving on the Board of the National Committee for Citi-

zens in Education, Business and Professional Women's Foundation, National Child Research Center, Fund for an OPEN Society, as Board Chair of the Center for Youth Services in Washington, D.C. and on the Advisory Committee of the Center for Early Adolescence at the University of North Carolina. As Director of Public Policy of Girls Incorporated, she continues to monitor issues affecting girls and young women, informs the National Board, staff and affiliates of relevant legislation and public education events, recommends and drafts public policy positions and serves as a strong, smart, bold and "vigorous advocate for girls."

She is the proud and loving mother of a son, Nicholas Wurf of London, England and, a daughter, Abigail Wurf of St. Louis, Missouri.

Mr. Speaker, I ask that this august body join me in applauding Mildred Kiefer Wurf for her dedicated service and exemplary record of highly effective advocacy on behalf of Girls Incorporated and the millions of girls of this nation and extend to her our best wishes for every success in her future endeavors.

#### TRIBUTE TO THOMAS DUBYNE, DR. VINCENT MASSEY, AND OLD KENT BANK—IMPRESSION 5 SCIENCE CENTER AWARD WIN- NERS

##### HON. DEBBIE STABENOW

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, April 28, 1998*

Ms. STABENOW. Mr. Speaker, I am proud to recognize Impression 5 as one of the premier science centers in education today. Each year Lansing's Impression 5 announces a series of awards that highlight leadership in the area of science.

As in previous years, this year's recipients have shown a true commitment to science, our students, and education. Science is one of the most challenging important subjects to master. This year's recipients have used their knowledge, leadership and financial means to make science a focus on and outside the classroom and have found innovative ways to help the community appreciate and understand the importance of science.

I am very proud to recognize the following recipients of the 1998 Impression 5 Tribute to Science and Technology winners for Educator of the Year, Scientist of the Year, and Community Service Award.

#### SCIENCE EDUCATOR OF THE YEAR: THOMAS DUBYNE

As a science teacher at Haslett High School for over 35 years, Mr. DuByne has gained multiple state and national recognitions. He is best known in the community as a teacher committed to his students and the study of science. Whether it is the assistance he provides our elementary teachers, or the countless science fairs and demonstrations he has organized, Mr. DuByne has worked tirelessly on the local not only as a high school teacher, but as a leader in advocating science to young learners.

#### SCIENTIST OF THE YEAR: DR. VINCENT MASSEY

Dr. Massey is the J. Lawrence Oncley Distinguished University Professor in the Department of Biological Chemistry at the University



of Michigan. He is a pioneering biochemist who is known internationally for his studies in the field of flavins and flavoproteins.

COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARD: OLD KENT BANK

Lansing's Old Kent Bank has been recognized for working closely with the Impression 5 Science Center for over twelve years. Through their continuous commitment to the science center and the nonprofit community, Old Kent has played a vital role in the operation of many education activities throughout the Lansing community.

As we continue to head toward the 21st Century, the areas of science and technology are more important. As a member of the House Science and Technology Committee, I am proud to recognize these efforts and offer congratulations and thanks for their continued leadership and excellence in science.

TRIBUTE TO MRS. HORTENSE HUNN

HON. GEORGE E. BROWN, JR.

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, April 28, 1998*

Mr. BROWN of California. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Hortense Hunn's years of outstanding achievement and service to the children and families of San Bernardino County, and to bid her a fond farewell as she retires from more than 30 years of service to the Head Start and Preschool Services Programs in San Bernardino County.

Mrs. Hunn has dedicated both her professional and her personal lives to helping improve the lives of those most in need of our community. As the Executive Director of the Preschool Services Department for San Bernardino County, Mrs. Hunn has taken a program that initially served only a handful of children and turned it into an exemplary department that serves over 5,300 children and their families. Under Mrs. Hunn's direction, the Head Start Program has been nationally recognized for its success. Her leadership has also extended well beyond the local area to positions with regional and national committees and organizations.

Mrs. Hunn's personal achievements include: 31 years with the Head Start Program in San Bernardino County; Policy Council Member, Children's Network of San Bernardino County; first President, California Head Start Association; National Head Start Association member; Governor's Child Development Programs Advisory Committee member; Southern California Cluster of Head Start Grantees Advisory Board founder; Black Voice Newspaper's Woman of Achievement for 1992; past Secretary, NAACP; Black Culture Foundation's 1997 Black Rose Award recipient.

Mrs. Hunn has also volunteered as a Board Member of the Cornerstone Christian Preschool, is a member of the Hospitality Committee for New Hope Missionary Baptist Church in San Bernardino, and is a member of the Children's Defense Fund.

Hortense Hunn is a remarkable person. Her dedication and commitment to the community and those less fortunate extends to every aspect of her life. She has touched the lives of

countless families, and while she will be sorely missed, she has left San Bernardino County a great legacy and serves as an example for us all. Her new community will undoubtedly benefit greatly from her presence. Mrs. Hunn is truly a friend to all in need and I consider myself very lucky to have worked with her over the years.

TRIBUTE TO ROULETTE AND JESSIE WOLFE

HON. MARION BERRY

OF ARKANSAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, April 28, 1998*

Mr. BERRY. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to a wonderful couple, Roulette and Jessie Wolfe. Roulette and Jessie are the classic example of people that work hard, play by the rules, and achieve great success.

They were the kind of people that made you always feel that you were welcome and that they were always happy they saw you. Through hard work, thrift, and fair dealings they achieved financial and personal success.

They were always ready to do their part for the community. It made no difference if it was for the school, town, people in need, or the church they were always there to do their part. They provided a Christian witness by great example. They treated their fellow man with respect and dignity.

Roulette was a self-taught engineer and farmer of great skill. His buildings were always sound and pleasing to the eye. His crops were always the same way.

Their life cannot be described without the mention of Jessie's skills as a fisherman. She was a sport fisherman of great ability and was highly respected in a community of people that contains many skilled in this area.

They gave marriage the image that is was intended to have and were clearly devoted to their family and church. It remains difficult to have church without them in their customary place on the front row of Gillett Methodist Church.

They accepted their lot philosophically and moved on to the next task.

Their life was what Thomas Jefferson had in mind when he envisioned the agrarian society.

They were the kind of people that made America the great Nation it is today.

IN HONOR OF THE RETIREMENT OF MARGARET MCCOOK

HON. ROBERT A. BORSKI

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, April 28, 1998*

Mr. BORSKI. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate and honor an outstanding volunteer and citizen from my Congressional district who has achieved a long list of community service. Mrs. Margaret "Peg" McCook began her service in politics in 1967 as a Democratic Committee person. She went on to become an Administrative Aide to Senator Joseph F. Smith from 1972 to 1981. Senator Smith be-

came Congressman Smith as a result of a special election and Mrs. McCook then became his Legislative Aide until 1982. Peg then began to work as an Administrative Aide to Senator Vincent Fumo until 1984 when she applied for the position of Bail Commissioner. Peg was sworn in as one of the first Bail Commissioners to serve in the Philadelphia Municipal Court in February of 1984, and finally retired from this position in 1997.

During her thirteen years of service in Municipal Court, Peg won both the adoration and respect from her peers, the Administration, and the Judiciary. She volunteered both her time and services, never hesitating to go above and beyond the call of service. She was even known to bring in some home made specialties, especially when her shift fell on a holiday. It is no wonder she has been affectionately referred to as "mom".

Peg McCook also ran for City Commissioner, and Council Person for the First District, but was narrowly defeated. Along with her various duties she was an advisor to several self help organizations. Peg has become well known and loved throughout the community for her many years of service. Along with all of her political achievements, Peg is also the wife of Joseph McCook, Sr., the mother of eight children, grandmother of seventeen, and great-grandmother of two.

I am proud of Peg McCook and all that she has done for the city of Philadelphia and abroad. She emulates the ideals of citizenship in our country—through her concern for others, her service to the community and active participation in our governments. I wish to congratulate and thank Peg McCook for all that she has accomplished. I hope that she enjoys her years of retirement, and wish her all the best.

IN MEMORY OF STANLEY RADWAN

HON. DENNIS J. KUCINICH

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, April 28, 1998*

Mr. KUCINICH. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the memory of Stanley Radwan, a native of Poland and a famed strongman. Mr. Radwan's life was filled with amazing accomplishments, both physical and mental. He embodied the spirit of a hardworking individual.

Born in Poland in 1908, Radwan was a distinct child from his birth, showing off his strength for childhood friends during his youth. He joined several Polish fraternal organizations and clubs, taking great pride in his Polish heritage. His national pride inspired him to join the Polish navy and learn many languages before World War II. Unfortunately, Radwan was captured by the Nazis and became a prisoner of war at the Bergen-Belsen camp. He became legendary in the camp as he escaped briefly by pushing a brick wall over with his bare hands. Radwan immigrated to the United States after the war and established himself in Northeastern Ohio.

Mr. Radwan, also known as the "Polish Strongman" and the "King of Iron and Steel," wrestled professionally for over twenty years and was never defeated. He amazed his audience with feats of strength including straightening horseshoes, pulling cars with his teeth,

and ripping quarters in half. Radwan even demonstrated these talents on the television show "You Asked For It." Radwan also served his new country in many capacities, most notably as a bodyguard for Cleveland officials and a worker in the Cuyahoga County Auditor's Office. He was noted for his clean attendance record and his hard work at the office. Radwan never lost touch with his Polish heritage, hosting a Polish-language radio show and working with Polish organizations. He is survived by two sons, a daughter, and seven grandchildren.

My fellow colleagues, join me in saluting the life of a true "strongman" in all facets of the word: Stanley Radwan.

#### SAVING SOCIAL SECURITY

### HON. RON PACKARD

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, April 28, 1998*

Mr. PACKARD. Mr. Speaker, just a few weeks ago, President Clinton held his first meeting to outline his thoughts on reforming the Social Security system. The problem is, we still don't have any answers.

Although President Clinton won't admit it, Social Security is not financially sound. Statistics show that within the next 15 years, the system will begin to pay out more than it takes in. This means that unless we begin to make changes now, the system could be bankrupt in 30 years.

As a father and grandfather, I am not only concerned about the money I have paid into Social Security over the course of my lifetime, but now my children and grandchildren are putting their hard-earned dollars into the program as well. The worst part is, none of us have any confidence that this money will still be there when we need it.

Mr. Speaker, before our break you asked us to find out how our constituents would like to see the Social Security system reformed. I agree that the only way to create a system that is consistent with what Americans want is to talk to the very people who pay into and benefit from the program.

It is time for us to use the suggestions we heard from our constituents while we were back home and show the President and Social Security can and must be reformed now.

#### WORKER MEMORIAL DAY

### HON. TIM ROEMER

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, April 28, 1998*

Mr. ROEMER. Mr. Speaker, for today's observance of Worker Memorial Day, I would like to have the opportunity to recognize a shameful tragedy that millions of Americans must face every day.

Last year, according to the Bureau of Labor Statistics, over 6,000 workers were killed by traumatic injuries, 50,000 workers died of occupational diseases, and 6.2 million suffered injuries on the job. Lamentably, my home

state of Indiana has paralleled these statistics by averaging 60 deaths a year.

Today in South Bend, Indiana, community leaders, business owners, and union representatives are gathering to pay tribute to two friends whose deaths hit very close to home. Officer Paul Deguch, member of the Fraternal Order of Police Lodge 36, was struck down in the line of duty by a senseless act of violence. This pointless death has not only shocked our community, but left his family devastated.

Jim Slater, member of the Elevator Constructors Local 57, was also killed on the job this year while working in an elevator shaft. His wife is now without a husband, his three children no longer have a father, and those he knew have lost a great friend.

As Members of Congress we must continue the fight begun at the turn of the century to ensure safety for everyone at their place of employment. Our American workforce is responsible for our booming economy, our high standard of living, and the quality of life which we enjoy. We have made a great deal of progress in the last eighty years, but for Officer Deguch, Jim Slater, and every other worker killed or injured on the job, we must do more.

My prayers go out of the families of those who were taken from us, and I know the rest of our community joins me. I only hope that we in Congress can do more to prevent tragedies like these from happening in the future.

#### IN RECOGNITION OF HOUSTON'S FIFTH ANNUAL AFRICA DAY

### HON. KEN BENTSEN

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, April 28, 1998*

Mr. BENTSEN. Mr. Speaker, I rise to recognize Houston's fifth annual celebration of Africa Day taking place on Saturday, May 2, 1998.

African Cultural Exchange, Inc. (ACE) initiated Houston's celebration five years ago, joining an international effort to recognize the progress of people of African descent toward social, cultural, and economic freedom. Since its inception, ACE has had five goals and objectives: to exchange culture, arts, and educational programs between African countries and the United States; to build bridges of communication and better understanding; to promote awareness and appreciation of diverse culture; to provide programs and activities for children, youth, and the elderly; and to establish The Africa House as a cultural exchange center to serve all people.

The theme of this year's celebration is "Children of The World—Our Future." Festivities at the University of Houston, Central Campus, will include exhibitions and cultural activities, a soccer tournament, and an awards ceremony to recognize the achievements of children and youth. Other activities will provide opportunities to promote the arts, business, and entrepreneurial awareness and exchange.

The Africa Day celebration is especially timely this year in light of President Clinton's recent trip to Africa. While Africa still faces poverty, malnutrition, disease, unemployment,

and terrible conflict in some places, free markets are taking hold, and democracy and peace are making progress. As a genuine partner and friend to the people of Africa, America can make a difference in its future. Cultural exchanges such as Africa Day are essential to bridge the gap and increase awareness and understanding between the United States and Africa.

I congratulate Africa Day on its fifth anniversary and commend the African Cultural Exchange, Inc. and all of the participants and supporters for their dedication to improving U.S.-African relations and to the future of our children and communities. Our continued support of events such as Africa Day will enhance our children's future, their educational development, economic growth, and their quality of life.

#### RECOGNIZING COURTLAND SEYMOUR WILSON

### HON. ROSA L. DeLAURO

OF CONNECTICUT

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, April 28, 1998*

Ms. DeLAURO. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Courtland Seymour Wilson, Executive Director of the Hill Development Corporation on the occasion of his 80th birthday. Over the course of his life, Mr. Wilson has built a wonderful legacy of community and political activism that has improved his city and the world in which we live.

Born and raised in New Haven, Mr. Wilson attended school and worked there until enlisting in the United States Army. During World War II he saw active duty in both Italy and North Africa, returning to New Haven in 1945 having achieved the rank of Master Sergeant.

As dedicated an activist as he is a worker, Mr. Wilson's career began as a machinist in several shops in New Haven where he strived to organize his fellow workers. He served on the Executive Committee and as Treasurer of the International Association of Machinists local of the AFL-CIO.

Courtland Wilson did not however, contain his activism to the workplace. His efforts for equality and justice led to his Presidency of the New Haven chapter of the NAACP, and the founding of both the Hill Parent's Association—precursor to the Hill Development Corporation—and the New Haven Black Coalition.

This dynamic synergy of community and job politics led to his transition from machinist to staff activist at Yale University. Mr. Wilson was hired by Yale to desegregate their School of Medicine during a period of hiring and enrollment reforms. From Assistant Dean of Student Affairs at the Medical School, Mr. Wilson moved to Yale-New Haven Hospital's Office of Government and Community Relations where he worked until his "retirement" in 1985. During his tenure at Yale-New Haven, he sat on many local and state governing boards, and is a lecturer at the Yale School of Medicine Department of Psychiatry.

For the past 13 years he has been the Executive Director of the Hill Development Corporation, working diligently to ensure every family's right to decent, affordable housing.



For his countless efforts and contributions to New Haven, Mr. Wilson was given the Elm Award in 1995, the city's highest honor. In addition to his esteemed years of service, Courtland Wilson raised his usually low profile by winning his first elected office, that of Democratic Party Ward Co-Chair, at age 78.

A man who loves life, Courtland Wilson enjoys the company of his wife of 56 years, Ruth, and his children, Courtland H., Jon, Ruthia, and Peter, as well as the company of his many grandchildren and great-grandchildren. As his family and friends gather to celebrate his eight decades of improving our world, I rise today to wish him a happy and healthy birthday, and to thank him for his countless, tireless contributions.

TRIBUTE TO HONOR DOUGLAS  
KLEPSCH

HON. CHARLES E. SCHUMER

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, April 28, 1998*

Mr. SCHUMER. Mr. Speaker, I am pleased to greet you today as we honor Youth Corps Volunteer, Douglas Klepsch, for his selfless act of bravery.

Douglas Klepsch went beyond the call of duty when he took it upon himself to investigate the cries from a woman who sought help at the Woodhaven-Richmond Hill Ambulance Corps because her kitchen was on fire. That altruistic decision saved eight lives. This outstanding young man is an inspiration to us all. He risked his own life to save the lives of others.

Gathering here today to acknowledge the heroism of Douglas reminds us to continually pay heed to the local heroes of our community. Recognizing Douglas Klepsch will allow us all to take stock in our actions and reflect on how we too can make a difference in our neighbor's lives. I wish Douglas Klepsch success in his future endeavors.

RECOGNIZING MICHIGAN REPRESENTATIVE BOB EMERSON: THE AMERICAN LUNG ASSOCIATION OF MICHIGAN'S 1997 INDIVIDUAL HEALTH ADVOCATE OF THE YEAR AND HURLEY MEDICAL CENTER: THE AMERICAN LUNG ASSOCIATION OF MICHIGAN'S 1997 CORPORATE HEALTH ADVOCATE OF THE YEAR

HON. DEBBIE STABENOW

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, April 28, 1998*

Ms. STABENOW. Mr. Speaker, I wish to recognize the American Lung Association of Michigan's 1997 Individual Health Advocate of the Year, Michigan Representative Bob Emerson and the 1997 Corporate Health Advocate of the Year, The Hurley Medical Center.

Bob Emerson was first elected to the Michigan House of Representatives in 1980 and has a 100 percent voting record against to-

bacco. As past chairperson of the Public Health Subcommittee, he has been a strong advocate against the dangers of smoking and a leader in educating our children of its dangers. Representing the Flint area, Representative Emerson is also the founder and chairperson for the Greater Flint Health Coalition. I am proud to have served in the state legislature with Bob and I know first hand that he is a fighter and champion for our children. And as someone who fought side by side with him against tobacco companies. I am very pleased his work is being acknowledged through this award.

On the corporate level, the Hurley Medical Center has become a national leader in treating Asthma and related illnesses. By sponsoring a summer Asthma camp, children from around Michigan have had the opportunity to enjoy nature and the summer weather in a safe environment. The Medical Center is also responsible for an innovative education program that many other medical organizations across the country have used as an example in effectively treating the disease.

Both award winners overwhelmingly met the criteria set by the American Lung Association of Michigan. The work completed by Representative Emerson and the Hurley Medical Center are wonderful examples for our communities and are rooted in social responsibility, innovation, and activism.

The American Lung Association is one of our county's most important health organizations. Their commitment to our children, public health, and education is unparalleled. I am very proud that our Michigan chapter is one of the strongest in the nation and I thank them for taking the time to recognize the individual and corporate advocates that make a true difference in our communities.

A TRIBUTE TO WILLIAM VON  
ALVEN

HON. JAMES P. MORAN

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, April 28, 1998*

Mr. MORAN of Virginia. Mr. Speaker, I rise to pay tribute to a great American and resident of Northern Virginia, William H. von Alven, who has served the country faithfully and ably for twenty-six years at the Federal Communications Commission. Mr. von Alven will retire from the FCC on April 30, 1998, and I am pleased to join Congressman FRANK WOLF, FCC Chairman William E. Kennard and the employees of the FCC in congratulating Mr. von Alven on this remarkable accomplishment. Mr. von Alven is seventy-eight years old and has worked right up to the present point.

Mr. von Alven received his B.S. from the University of Idaho where he was elected to membership in Phi Beta Kappa. After pursuing graduate studies in engineering and management at Harvard and UCLA, he worked extensively in the private sector and edited the best selling book Reliability Engineering, which was in print for more than 30 years. Mr. von Alven served as president of many communications industry institutes and societies, and chaired several international conferences. He received

the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers Centennial Medal, and a Department of Defense award for his contributions to the Advisory Group on the Reliability of Electronic Equipment. In 1996, he was awarded the Telecommunications Industry Association's Certificate of Recognition and the FCC's Catherine Forester Public Service Award.

Mr. von Alven will retire as a Senior Public Utilities Specialist. He has managed the Part 68 terminal equipment registration program since its inception at the FCC in 1976 and has made many important contributions to the FCC. He will be greatly missed by his friends and colleagues at the Commission. Mr. von Alven is just one example of the many extraordinary federal employees residing in my district. Through his long years of service, he is certainly deserving of special recognition by the Congress.

FORT COLLINS HIGH SCHOOL  
SCIENCE BOWL TEAM TO COM-  
PETE IN THE NATIONAL SCIENCE  
BOWL

HON. BOB SCHAFFER

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, April 28, 1998*

Mr. BOB SCHAFFER of Colorado. Mr. Speaker, the winners of the Rocky Mountain Regional Science Bowl will soon be in Washington, D.C. to compete in the National Science Bowl. Since the regional winners are from my congressional district—The Fourth Congressional District of Colorado—I am especially proud of the young people who worked so hard to come to represent the Rocky Mountain region, the State of Colorado, and their school.

Fort Collins High School truly fielded a Science Bowl team of great accomplishment this year, Mr. Speaker. Our community will be well represented in the competition.

As a member of the Education Committee, I am truly encouraged by these students. Indeed the success we have been working toward as a nation is embodied in the Fort Collins High School team. Despite national test results and international comparisons showing U.S. students lagging, Colorado's Science Bowl champions are proof that American students are capable of high achievement in the field of science.

All hailing from my hometown of Fort Collins, Colorado, the Regional Championship Team consists of the following contestants: Miss Kristin Bjornsen, Mr. Stephen DiVerdi, Mr. Andrew Fangman, Mr. Jeremiah Way, and Mr. Jeremy Zimmerman.

Of course, these students could not have come so far on their own. Behind every successful team is the backdrop of encouragement and leadership. In this case, the students are most fortunate to have the firm backing and guidance of their families.

Surely, the parents of the champions are most proud, and have sacrificed themselves to help their children achieve great victories. They have every right to be proud.

Mr. Speaker, as you and my colleagues know, I have spent the past 10 years in public

service working to improve Colorado's education system. My efforts to deliver more resources directly to classrooms, and treat teachers like real professionals have been motivated by my desire to see students achieve their potential.

Within that context, the success of the Fort Collins High School Science Bowl team is a triumph for our entire community, and a real sign that our hard work is paying off by creating school environments where ordinary children can become extraordinary students.

But Mr. Speaker, this day really belongs to the students. Bjornson, DiVerdi, Fangman, Way and Zimmerman are champions all the way. I urge my colleagues to help me welcome these students to their Capital City and wish them well in their pursuit of the National title.

### VOICE OF DEMOCRACY SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

#### HON. DAVE WELDON

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, April 28, 1998

Mr. WELDON of Florida. Mr. Speaker, founded more than half a century ago, the Voice of Democracy Scholarship Program allows high school students a chance to compete in a broadcast script writing contest. The competition, sponsored by the Veterans of Foreign Wars and the U.S. Ladies Auxiliary, conducts this annual speech competition and provides the winners with a scholarship. I am very pleased that this year Scott Wilson, 18, from Palm Bay High School was selected as the winner from the state of Florida.

I commend him for his hard work both in this competition and as demonstrated in his academic achievements. In recognition of his selection as the winner of this competition, I am hereby submitting his speech to the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD for printing.

1997-98 VFW VOICE OF DEMOCRACY SCHOLARSHIP COMPETITION "MY VOICE IN OUR DEMOCRACY"

(SCOTT WILSON, FLORIDA WINNER)

Stop and listen. Listen to the past, to the glorious voices of our Democracy. Do you hear them speaking? Their words softly vibrate with each ring of our liberty bell, and echo loudly in the crash of a judge's gavel. They whisper from the forgotten pages of our Constitution, and scream from the dying lips of a fallen soldier. Their words are of freedom, justice, and equality and their voice is the voice of democracy. Stop and look. Look to the future. Behold, the golden sun of the twentieth century casts its final rays over the ever-darkening horizon, and the dawn of a new millennium rises. Yet now, many have forgotten the timber of democracy's magnificent voice. Its whisperings are barely audible now, diminished by the passage of time. The voice of democracy must be amplified by the megaphone of a new generation, so that the America of tomorrow will need not strain to hear its mighty declaration. But it begins with me. I must be the first megaphone. America will hear my voice in our democracy.

In 1775, American democracy was but a newborn babe, struggling to snap the umbilical cord of a tyrannical British monarchy.

Lack of unity heightened the struggle, as colonial Tories, too timid to jump from the safety of the nest, clung tightly to their mother country. Meanwhile, true American patriots, few in number, desperately needed a spokesman. And in the Virginian House of Burgesses, Patrick Henry stepped to the platform. Henry strongly felt that the colonists should arm themselves for a war with Britain, in which they would cast off the bitter yoke of political enslavement. He is forever remembered for seven, soul-stirring words which emulated the very heart of the American revolution: "Give me liberty, or give me death!" And later, at the genesis of the American Constitution, Henry was among the creators of the Bill of Rights, which insured the people of their basic freedoms. Yes, in the turbulent age of the Revolution, the voice of freedom was calling, and Patrick Henry answered its call. Today, the voice of freedom is still calling through the corridors of time searching for someone to magnify her majestic voice. I will be that someone, who like Patrick Henry, steps to the platform in defense of freedom's voice. And when I behold the basic freedoms of man covered by a menacing storm of political scheming and deceit, I will help to pull back the clouds to reveal the rainbow of liberties that is the American birthright, and the democratic promise.

Since the passage of the Emancipation Proclamation, the United States has grappled with the issue of racial equality. But like a boxer that beats the air, we have landed few direct punches to the face of inequality's true opponent—discrimination. And even in the 1960's, racism had not yet received its rightful knockout blow. That is, until Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., stepped into the ring. In August of 1963, 200,000 protesters marched to the Lincoln Memorial, and stood as sheep about its reflecting pool, listening to their shepherd speak these moving words: "I have a dream that one day this nation will rise up and live out the true meaning of its creed: We hold these truths to be self-evident; that all men are created equal." Today, nearly thirty-five years later, we still dream his dream, because when the vote of equality was calling, Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., answered its call. But like freedom's voice, the voice of equality searches for someone new. Here again, I will be that someone, who climbs into the ring of combat. And when I pass through the peaceful fields of equality, freshly trampled by the deafening machine of unfounded discrimination, I will glean from the lives of the past, and sow the seeds of democracy for future generations, so that in due time, they will reap an abundant harvest of racial tranquility.

And now I ask you: As the dawn of the new millennium rises, who will rise up with it, to echo the voice of democracy in the approaching age? Who will it be that opens the eyes of Americans to the truth of human equality? And who will it be that ensures future Americans of their right to freedom and justice? The past is speaking, but will you the future listen? The past is challenging, but will you the future respond? I am listening, and I will respond. I will be the new megaphone, that amplifies the democratic voice when freedom's rainbow cannot be seen, when justice's gavel is strangely mute, and when equality's harvest is trampled underfoot. America will hear me shout: "Freedom!" "Justice!" "Equality!" Assuredly, my voice will be heard in our democracy.

IN MEMORY OF WILLIAM M.  
CAFARO

HON. JAMES A. TRAFICANT, JR.

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, April 28, 1998

Mr. TRAFICANT. Mr. Speaker, I would like to pay tribute to a William M. Cafaro, who passed away recently at the age of 84. This remarkable self-made man contributed greatly to his family, his community and this country. He will be deeply missed.

William, a lifelong resident of Trumbull County, Ohio, emergence as a real estate developer and entrepreneur began in the 1940s with the purchase of property in Youngstown, Ohio. When he sold this property, he used the proceeds for other business investments. The 50's saw Cafaro develop, build and operate neighborhood shopping centers and strip plazas in northeastern Ohio. In the following decades, The Cafaro Co. developed more than 70 commercial properties and expanded into enclosed regional shopping malls in several states including Washington, Ohio, Indiana, West Virginia and Pennsylvania. Cafaro helped change the way America shopped.

Mr. Cafaro will be remembered by the people of the Mahoning Valley as a generous philanthropist and real estate developer. With a \$1 million gift, Cafaro was one of the major donors in Youngstown State University's capital campaign. The honors dormitory on the YSU campus bears his name. Other organizations, including Mill Creek Children's Center and St. Anthony Church, have benefitted from his kindness. His business savvy also began early. The shopping mall he opened in Niles, Ohio in 1969 has grown into a retailing and entertainment complex that promises continued growth. Surrounding the mall now are stores and restaurants offering everything from movies to groceries to home improvement goods. Cafaro's last deed for his community was to commit to the construction of a stadium for minor league baseball play. The Cafaro Company will absorb the \$7.5 million cost and donate the land for the project. Due to Mr. Cafaro's leadership, the groundbreaking for the stadium will begin in June 1998.

Cafaro was often recognized for his generosity and philanthropic work. On a number of occasions he was named "Man of the Year", including by the Wolves Club National Convention. In 1970, the president of the Republic of Italy made him a Knight of the Order of the Star of Italian Solidarity or Italian Cavalier. Most recently he received a lifetime achievement award from the National Italian American Foundation of Washington, D.C.

Simply by keeping the Cafaro Company headquarters in the Mahoning Valley, Mr. Cafaro showed the vision and pride he had for the area. He was a businessman whose handshake was his bond. A gentleman who honored his family and friends. He had an unparalleled sense of community which is evident nearly everywhere in the Valley.

The citizens of the Mahoning Valley and I mourn with the Cafaro family upon the great loss of this giant among men, William M. Cafaro.



# IN HONOR OF POLISH CONSTITUTION DAY

## HON. DENNIS J. KUCINICH

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, April 28, 1998*

Mr. KUCINICH. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in celebration of the two-hundred seventh anniversary of the Polish Constitution. The Polish Constitution of May 3, 1791 established a tradition of democracy and human rights in Poland that continues today.

The Polish Constitution has the honor of being the first Constitution in Europe to give inalienable human and economic rights for all. In the turbulent 1790's of classical Europe, Poland emerged as a beacon for the future of democracy in this unstable land. While other nations surrounding its sovereign borders engaged in revolution and civil war, Poland maintained its integrity for many years under this Constitution.

The rise of Soviet communism in the post-World War II era stemmed the Polish democratic principle for forty years, but under the capable leadership of Lech Walesa, democracy embodied in this Constitution returned to the Eastern European "cradle of democracy." The human and economic rights that were abandoned by years of communist rule returned triumphantly in recent years.

My fellow colleagues, join me in honoring the people of Poland, their long struggle for democracy, and their timeless Constitution.

# A TRIBUTE TO THE WEST-HAMP- TON BEACH HIGH SCHOOL BOYS BASKETBALL TEAM

## HON. MICHAEL P. FORBES

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, April 28, 1998*

Mr. FORBES. Mr. Speaker, it is with great pride and emotion that I rise today in the House of Representatives to pay tribute to the boys high school basketball team at my alma mater, Westhampton Beach High School, on Long Island. This past weekend, the Hurricanes came home with the school's first ever New York State High School basketball championship trophy.

Stepped in a proud athletic history, the Hurricanes of Westhampton Beach had to climb a steep mountain to attain this landmark championship. In the six years previous to winning the 1998 title, coach Rich Wrase led his team to six straight league titles, three Suffolk County championships and a trip to the state Final Four championship round. Their quest culminated last weekend when the Hurricanes rolled over defending state champion Syracuse-Westhill to win the New York State public school title, then whipped New York City powerhouse Wadleigh High School to win the state Federation Class B championship.

So much credit for Westhampton Beach's 28-0 season success lies in the contributions of its leaders on and off the court. Coach Rick Wrase's disciplined leadership kept these young men focused on winning a state title.

# EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

On the court, senior point guard Dale Menendez proved himself a team leader by scoring 19 points, adding 5 rebounds and 4 steals in the win over Syracuse-Westhill to earn the Most Valuable Player honors for the Class B Tournament. Senior classmate Jermain Hollman also came up big for the Hurricanes, contributing 22 points, 8 rebounds and 4 assists to earn the Most Valuable Player award in the Federation title game.

As impressive as Menendez's and Hollman's offense contributions are, Westhampton Beach earned its championship with impenetrable team defense. Utilizing an aggressive, trapping attack, the Hurricanes dogged opponents mercilessly, holding Syracuse-Westhill to just 36 points. Then, up by just two points at halftime of the Federation title game, the Hurricane defense stepped up and held previously undefeated Wadleigh to just 19 second half points.

The work ethic and close-net feel of this high school basketball team is a team reflection of my hometown, Westhampton Beach. The entire community is filled with pride for these young men, who have worked hard and sacrificed together to reach this goal. So I ask my colleagues in the U.S. House of Representatives to join me and all my neighbors in saluting the Westhampton Beach Hurricanes, the 1998 New York State high school basketball champions.

# TRIBUTE TO VICTIMS OF ARMENIAN GENOCIDE

SPEECH OF

## HON. HENRY A. WAXMAN

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, April 22, 1998*

Mr. WAXMAN. Mr. Speaker, today I wish to commemorate the 83rd Anniversary of the Armenian genocide. On April 24, 1915, more than two hundred Armenian religious, political, and intellectual leaders were arrested and killed. From 1915 to 1923, 1½ million people lost their lives in the slaughter. Another half million lost their homes and property, and watched as the symbols of their religion and culture were destroyed.

Regrettably, the world's inaction in the face of these atrocities sent a message that human rights violations would be tolerated. Hitler and other leaders saw nothing to deter them from waging genocide campaigns against other groups. Today we are still fighting the same kind of hatred in Eastern Europe, Southeast Asia, and other parts of the world.

The Armenians who survived have maintained thriving cultures in the Middle East and built vibrant communities in the United States and around the world. We in Congress join them in honoring the memory of those who perished in the killings, and we use this opportunity to renew and strengthen our commitment to protect human rights around the world.

April 28, 1998

# A TRIBUTE TO LYNN O'SHEA

## HON. WILLIAM O. LIPINSKI

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, April 28, 1998*

Mr. LIPINSKI. Mr. Speaker, today I would like to acknowledge the very special contributions to my community and to humanity in general by an outstanding individual, Ms. Lynn O'Shea.

Lynn O'Shea is best known for her dedication to enriching the lives of people with disabilities, especially in her 15 years of work as Executive Director of Seguin Services. On May 1, 1998, Lynn is leaving Seguin to become Executive Director of a similar agency that is closer to her home.

As an employee of Seguin for 15 years, Lynn has served in many roles. Under her leadership, Seguin has been fiscally sound in the face of continuing funding crises and has grown into a \$15 million organization that provides jobs for over 400 people. More notably, Lynn has responded to the growing needs of foster care homes for infants and children with disabilities and severe medical conditions by launching a foster care program that is now recognized as a model in Illinois. Most importantly, Lynn has helped people with developmental disabilities to live and work in the same way their neighbors do, she has broken down barriers to community integration by supporting developmentally disabled adults find jobs in the community, and she has established small single family homes with permanent foster parents.

Lynn is a role model not only for the citizens of Illinois, but for all workers in the social work industry. She is highly regarded in her field among her colleagues in Illinois. Her leadership style and never-say-no attitudes have earned her respect, admiration and love from her management team.

It is with great pleasure that I ask my colleagues to recognize her accomplishments and to thank Lynn for her extraordinary work, leadership and dedication to helping citizens throughout the state of Illinois.

# ELIZABETH PORTUGUESE LIONS CLUB TO DEDICATE "LION TRI- ANGLE MONUMENT"

## HON. ROBERT MENENDEZ

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, April 28, 1998*

Mr. MENENDEZ. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the Elizabeth, New Jersey Portuguese Lions Club and congratulate its members for all they have done for the community. For their tireless efforts, the "Lion Triangle Monument" is being dedicated in their honor. The Monument will be unveiled on Saturday, April 25, at the corners of Elmora Avenue and West Grand Street in Elizabeth.

Since its establishment in 1979, the Elizabeth Portuguese Lions Club has raised funds for its community-based projects, ranging from soup kitchens to the establishment of the Elizabeth Portuguese Leo Club, the youth branch

of the club. Last year alone, the club raised over \$15,000 for community projects.

It is only fitting that the Elizabeth Portuguese Lions Club's motto, "Our City; Our Nation; Our Neighborhood," will be printed on the tiled sides of the monument along with images of Elizabeth, hand-printed by Fernando Silva. The project, a truly magnificent work of art, will not only serve as a symbol for the club's continued commitment to its community, but will also bring pride and beauty to the neighborhood.

I would especially like to thank the president of the club, Helena Goncalves, her board, the members of the club, as well as the prominent elected officials—Freeholder Donald Goncalves, Councilman Manny Grova Jr., and Councilman Tony Monteiro—for all their contributions to the project. Special thanks and congratulations go out to Nelson Goncalves, past Governor of the Lion's District 16-E, who has just been appointed as New Jersey State Chairman for the Lions. These selfless individuals will be on hand, along with members of the Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders, to celebrate this gala event.

#### RECOGNIZING THE ACHIEVEMENTS OF RIVERBANK ARMY AMMUNITION PLANT

##### HON. GARY A. CONDIT

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, April 28, 1998*

Mr. CONDIT. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the achievements of Riverbank Army Ammunition Plant, the Army's only producer of cold drawn casings for mortar rounds, for its receiving of the Secretary of the Army 1997 Environmental Award for Installation Environmental Cleanup during a ceremony held on Monday, April 27, 1998.

The Army awards panel selected Riverbank AAP for its efforts in putting together a string of environmental accomplishments while cleaning up groundwater contamination on and around the installation.

The Army industrial installation, located near Riverbank, CA in the 18th Congressional District is on schedule to complete its cleanup program nearly 20 years early, saving the government millions of dollars.

Riverbank AAP achieved a number of environmental firsts during their cleanup program. It was the first federal NPL facility to complete a final record of decision marking the end of all environmental investigations and the start of final cleanup.

It was also the first federal facility to earn an installation-wide construction complete status from the EPA signifying that all remedial actions were in place and the program could move into long-term monitoring and operations phase.

Riverbank AAP continues to push for deletion from the NPL, saying there is no longer a threat to human health from the groundwater contamination that initiated the cleanup efforts.

"If the EPA looked at Riverbank today, there would be no risk to human health," said Jim Gansel, the Commander's representative at Riverbank AAP. Gansel credits the installa-

tion's environmental successes to a strong community relations program. "Our relationship with the community of Riverbank is the basis of everything we have accomplished here," he said.

Each year, the Secretary of the Army's environmental awards recognize, installation, team or individual efforts in Environmental Quality, Pollution Prevention, Pollution Prevention Weapons Acquisition, Recycling, Environmental Cleanup, Natural Resources Conservation and Cultural Resources Management. A total of 15 awards—10 installation, one team and four individual—are presented.

I consider it an honor and a privilege to represent Riverbank AAP.

#### 150TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE WESTERN PENNSYLVANIA HOSPITAL FOUNDATION

##### HON. WILLIAM J. COYNE

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, April 28, 1998*

Mr. COYNE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to mark an important anniversary. This year, the Western Pennsylvania Hospital is celebrating its 150th year of providing quality health care to the people of southwestern Pennsylvania.

Founded in 1848, Western Pennsylvania Hospital was the first chartered hospital west of the Allegheny Mountains. The Hospital has grown and evolved over the years, but it has always been known for its quality of care and its commitment to the community. Today, the Hospital is a 542-bed tertiary-care medical center with a staff of 620 dedicated health care professionals. The Hospital provides a full range of health care services, including treatment for cancer, high-risk pregnancies, diabetes, cardiovascular disease and burns. The Hospital supports an active medical research program and operates a school of nursing that has graduated over 3,500 students.

The Western Pennsylvania Hospital is known especially for its treatment of brain tumors. In fact, the Hospital is one of only 13 hospitals in the world using the Peacock System to treat such tumors. The Peacock System utilizes detailed computerized mapping of the brain to target radiation precisely at brain tumors—which prevents damage to the surrounding healthy brain tissue.

Western Pennsylvania Hospital is also well known for its work in treating burn victims. Not only does the Hospital operate a Burn Trauma Center to treat burn victims; it also operates a summer camp for burned children and a Back to School Program for children with burns.

The Western Pennsylvania Hospital is an outstanding institution of healing and learning which has served the people of western Pennsylvania with professionalism and compassion for the last 150 years. I commend the employees and volunteers of the Western Pennsylvania Hospital for all of their good works, and I wish them well as they continue to provide high-quality health care services to the communities of western Pennsylvania in the coming years.

#### NATIONAL HIGHWAY TRAFFIC SAFETY ADMINISTRATION REAUTHORIZATION ACT OF 1998

SPEECH OF

##### HON. F. JAMES SENSENBRENNER, JR.

OF WISCONSIN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, April 21, 1998*

Mr. SENSENBRENNER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in support of an important provision in H.R. 2691, the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) Reauthorization Act, which prohibits NHTSA from lobbying at the state or local level. The provision is consistent with current federal law which prohibits federal agencies from lobbying Congress. In legislation considered by the House Committee on Science last year, I included similar anti-lobbying language to prohibit the Department of Transportation from lobbying state and local elected officials. I am pleased H.R. 2691 includes the anti-lobbying provision.

In 1996, Congress voted to repeal a provision of the Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act (ISTEA) that penalized states without mandatory motorcycle helmet laws. By repealing the helmet penalty provisions of ISTEA, Congress determined that the issue of motorcycle safety was best determined by each individual state without a one-size-fits-all mandate from the federal government. Since that time, however, the U.S. General Accounting Office has determined that NHTSA has engaged in an active lobbying campaign to persuade states to enact laws mandating that motorcycle riders wear helmets. I strongly supported repealing the coercive and unfair helmet law penalties on states in 1996 and I further support the provisions of H.R. 2691 prohibiting the use of federal funds to lobby at the state and local level. I do not believe lobbying by any federal agency at the federal, state or local level is an appropriate use of tax-payer dollars.

#### TRIBUTE TO THE HILLSIDE COMMUNITY

##### HON. DONALD M. PAYNE

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, April 28, 1998*

Mr. PAYNE. Mr. Speaker, I would like to take a moment to pay tribute to a special community and township in my District. On Wednesday, April 29, 1998 the Township of Hillside will celebrate its 85th anniversary. This vibrant municipality was officially founded on April 3, 1913. Lengthy debate over secession from Union Township preceded the official signing of the Bill, by then Governor James F. Fielder, which would establish its boundaries.

Nestled between Newark and Elizabeth, Hillside initially offered a passage route between these port cities. A railroad system proved to be an important link to transport items delivered through the port of Newark and Elizabeth, as well as residential commuters. This link through the suburban industrial town attracted many companies, including Bristol Meyers, which chose to by-pass larger urban centers.



Hillside is a diverse Township which is reflective of our nation's unique ethnic and cultural blend. During the late 19th century immigrants from Italy, Poland, the Ukraine, Germany and many other countries established themselves in the area. Many of these immigrants entered the United States through historic Ellis Island. Later, more African Americans and Hispanics settled in the Township. Ultimately there would be at least 25 different ethnic groups residing in Hillside.

These diverse cultures have produced a rich amalgamation of religion and tradition. Each has contributed to the growth and progress of the township. Of course, this is a source of tremendous pride for me.

Hillside has and continues to move with pride toward the future and I would like to acknowledge and congratulate all of the citizens of the Township of Hillside on this very special 85th Anniversary Celebration.

A.M. ROSENTHAL ON TARGET  
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HON. BENJAMIN A. GILMAN

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, April 28, 1998

Mr. GILMAN. Mr. Speaker, I want to take this opportunity to share with my colleagues yet another insightful opinion piece written by veteran New York Times journalist, A.M. Rosenthal. Today, our House of Representatives will consider legislation that expresses the sense of the Congress on the occasion of the 50th anniversary of the founding of the modern State of Israel, reaffirming the bonds of friendship and cooperation between the United States and Israel.

Mr. Rosenthal's article, however, skillfully describes some of the left-handed compliments that are coming Israel's way from too many media outlets. Yet what Israel has accomplished in the past five decades, in the face of hostility on its every border, is nothing short of miraculous.

Accordingly, Mr. Speaker, because Mr. Rosenthal's remarks are so timely and deserving of special attention, I would like to share them with my colleagues. Accordingly, I am inserting the Rosenthal article into the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD.

[From the New York Times, April 28, 1998]

GIFTS FOR ISRAEL

(By A.M. Rosenthal)

On Israel's 50th anniversary, its friends can give the country certain gifts of importance. They can recognize Israel's achievements and take joy from them. And they can accept without denial or flinching the fact that after a half-century Israel's neighbors still want it dead.

So far, Israel has not received many gifts from my crowd—journalists. Much of the magazine, newspaper and TV coverage and assessment of Israel—not all, but too much—has ranged from delightedly doleful to dolefully despairing.

Israel's economic, societal and scientific successes have been mentioned. But not often is it pointed out that they were attained in the face of decades of hatred and attack from Arab nations and movements.

The contrary—almost always Israel's problems are now being presented if they are entirely self-inflicted. Arabs are presented as if they are always simply reacting to Israel refusal to accept their reasonable demands that the Jews just clear out of more territory because it does not really belong to them.

American public support for Israel rises and for Yasir Arafat declines. But U.S. and European journalism is increasingly sympathetic to the Palestinians and unpleasant about Israel.

To each his own vision. To my eyes, and to those of the majority of Americans, Israel is one of history's soaring proclamations of mankind's worth to itself and its Creator.

These days it is not said much anymore, which is a pity, but Israel did indeed begin with nothing much more than sand, hope and belief. And yes, 50 years later it is indeed the Mideast's only democracy, a growing center of science, technology, art, music.

Israel is not a dirge—but a country; how happy the thought.

And I find emotion entirely permissible about Israel's ability to maintain life and progress though its neighbors have imposed an absence of peace for a half-century.

But about dangers to Israeli survival, cool is best. And stepping back coolly we see the realities.

One is that Israel may work out agreement with Palestinians—if they want it enough to agree to conditions that will give Israel security of borders and the end of terrorism. The agreement would bring respite that could grow into a peace of some years.

But another reality is that agreement on Palestine would not bring permanent peace. Ask ourselves, would Mideast rulers, the worker-merchant "street" and religious and intellectual establishments accept an Israel forever growing in skills and strength—or in their dreams and desires want Israel extinguished, and work toward the day?

Run them through the mind: Syria, Libya, Egypt, Saudi Arabia, the gulf sheikdoms, the Sudan, Algeria, Iraq, Iran.

The hatred against Israel these countries receive, accept and pass on as heritage and religious obligation—would it vanish with an independent Palestine or would it continue in them, and in Palestine too?

If Iran and Iraq develop chemical, nuclear and biological weapons, will they strike against Israel? Would other Arabs extend sympathy to Israel—or dance on rooftops and scream their passion to kill Jews? Would the West take the risk of world war to rescue Israel?

We know the answers. Permanent peace in the Mideast will not come until sufficient Arab peoples replace dictatorship—fundamentalist, religious, military or terrorist—with democratic religious and political freedoms.

Then perhaps the Muslim governments will end the feuds among themselves that are the central cause of Mideast wars. Then perhaps they will even try to end the hatred of Israeli existence that infests the Mideast with the threat of war against Israel.

Freedom may happen in the Mideast, as in so many other places. But it will come slowly, fitfully.

Meantime, will Israel stand strong at arms, maintaining military power not for victory over another country but for defense?

Will the U.S. remain a friend or become a harassment? Will some foreign and Israeli Jews push their religious and political hostility against Israeli governments so long

and hard that they sap Israel's strength, will power and self-belief, as Israel awaits Arab conversion to democracy?

From friends of Israel, cool questions in themselves are gifts to Israel—and to one another.

JOHN E. BARRIERE

HON. BARNEY FRANK

OF MASSACHUSETTS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, April 28, 1998

Mr. FRANK of Massachusetts. Mr. Speaker, one of the most important and under appreciated aspects of the workings of our democracy is the extraordinarily dedicated and able work done by the professional staffs who serve those of us who have been elected to Congress. While it is popular to mock people who work in the political and legislative system, in fact their contribution represents one of the great bargains the American people receive. Our work is enormously helped by the large number of extremely talented and dedicated people who put in extremely long hours helping us make public policy, at far less compensation than most of them would receive in almost any other occupation.

I thought of that recently Mr. Speaker when I learned of the death of an extremely dedicated creative individual who is one of those who helped set the model for the kind of professional policy advisor on whom we are now so dependent. His name is John Barriere, and he came to Washington 50 years ago. Sadly, John Barriere died last week at the age of 78, and he left behind him a legacy of extraordinary service to democracy. I was recently reminded by Gerry McMurray, a former Chief of Staff of the Housing Subcommittee of the House Banking Committee, that Mr. Barriere was the first man to be a professional staff member of that subcommittee, having helped bring it into existence 43 years ago, and serving as its Staff Director until 1964. Because of the great ability he showed in that position, he was chosen by Speaker John McCormack in 1964 to be the first policy staff advisor to the Speaker, and he was the Executive Director—and heart and soul—of the Democratic Steering and Policy Committee until 1978. Among the pieces of legislation that he played an indispensable role in bringing to passage were the Civil Rights Act of 1964, the Voting Rights Act of 1965 and the Civil Rights Act of 1968—that extraordinarily important set of bills that helped break the back of legal racism in America.

He worked closely with Richard Bolling during his chairmanship of the Rules Committee in bringing forward the Congressional Reform Act of 1974 and 1976, and the Budget Act of 1974.

Indeed, along with John McCormack, Richard Bolling, Harry Truman and Senator Robert Wagner recognized John's great ability and put him to work. In other words Mr. Speaker he was a man whose great ability and equally great willingness to serve proved to be an important asset for a series of leaders in our governing processes.

I was pleased myself to meet him more than 30 years ago, when in the service of the gubernatorial campaign of the late Edward

McCormack, a nephew of the Speaker, I came to Washington to do some research on federal issues. I was then a young graduate student in political science, and meeting John Barriere, and listening to him describe the interaction of the legislative process, politics, and substantive policy was an extraordinary education which I never forgot.

Many years later, when my domestic partner, Herb Moses, went to work at FannieMae, I was delighted to learn that one of his co-workers was Laura Barriere, the daughter of John, and vicariously through Laura I was able to renew that acquaintance. I was saddened by news of his death, and Herb and I send our condolences to Laura, and the rest of the family. And I wanted to note here the passing of this man who quietly, but very effectively, did so much to set a pattern of professional service in the House from which we continue to benefit.

SALUTE TO RUSS MUELLER ON HIS 25TH ANNIVERSARY WITH HOUSE

### HON. WILLIAM F. GOODLING

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, April 28, 1998

Mr. GOODLING. Mr. Speaker, I am pleased to recognize and honor a member of the staff of the Committee on Education and Workforce, Mr. Russ Mueller, on his 25th anniversary with the Committee.

Russ came to the Committee staff in the middle of the Congressional debate on the legislation that was subsequently passed and became known as ERISA—the Employee Retirement Income Security Act. Since then, for many of us, Russ and ERISA have become almost synonymous. John Erlenborn and Al Quie, the Ranking Members of the full committee and subcommittee at the time, wanted a staff member who understood the intricacies of pension financing and other employee benefits. So they brought in Russ, who was, and is, a certified actuary. Twenty five years later Russ is still setting Members of Congress straight on the intricacies of employee benefits.

Along the way Russ has worked on a lot of major legislation. I suspect that some of his prouder accomplishments have been in helping to stop a lot of bad ideas—like the Clinton health care proposal a few years ago, on which he worked day and night for weeks on end to point out the foreseen and unforeseen consequences of that government take over of health care.

All of us who have worked with Russ know of his knowledge in the employee benefits area and of his commitment to legislative craftsmanship. He truly is one of our experts in these complex issues and has worked untiringly on behalf of our voluntary, employment based health care and benefits system. Along the way he has found time to be an avid golfer and fisherman, and dedicated father. I am pleased to recognize and salute Russ for his 25 years of service to the Committee, the Congress and to our country. I wish him many more years of good health and continued good service.

## CAMPAIGN FINANCE REFORM

### HON. RON KIND

OF WISCONSIN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, April 28, 1998

Mr. KIND. Mr. Speaker, over the past week the debate on campaign finance reform has shifted, from when we will get a vote to what kind of reform will we actually see. The leadership has chosen the Bipartisan Campaign Integrity Act, H.R. 2183, as the base bill that will be considered on the floor. I applaud that choice. This bill was drafted after a fifteen month process of bipartisan give and take among freshmen members of Congress. I am pleased to have been an original member of that task force.

The Bipartisan Campaign Integrity Act is the only bill that was drafted as a truly bipartisan effort to take the big money out of the political system. H.R. 2183 does not contain any poison pills and does not unfairly impact one political party over the other. This legislation does not go as far in changing the system as most members of the task force wanted, however, we all recognized that this was the only way campaign finance legislation could pass this year. This bill takes the biggest influences of money in the system out of our campaigns. Passage of H.R. 2183 will be a significant step forward in returning our elections back to the people whom we are sworn to represent.

Mr. Speaker, I commend you for giving in to the pressure of the public and allowing a vote on campaign finance reform. I hope my colleagues will join me in supporting H.R. 2183, the Bipartisan Campaign Integrity Act.

## WE SHOULD PASS THE AFRICA TRADE BILL

### HON. JIM McDERMOTT

OF WASHINGTON

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, April 28, 1998

Mr. McDERMOTT. Mr. Speaker, "We Should Pass the Africa Bill," an editorial written by Senator RICHARD LUGAR of Indiana was printed in the Wednesday, April 22, 1998, edition of the Washington Post. In the article Mr. LUGAR describes the broad support for the Africa Growth and Opportunity Act, which included: House leadership, the Clinton administration, the business community and the African diplomatic corps, and led to the passage of this historic legislation by the House of Representatives on March 11, 1998. Mr. Speaker, I am entering for the RECORD the editorial written by Senator RICHARD LUGAR of Indiana.

## WE SHOULD PASS THE AFRICA BILL

(By Richard Lugar)

Last month the House of Representatives approved the African Growth and Opportunity Act on a bipartisan vote of 233 to 186. The bill commanded support from the House leadership, the Clinton administration, the business community, the African diplomatic corps and representatives from all sides of the political spectrum. Action on the bill now shifts to the Senate, where the Finance Committee has jurisdiction. Enactment of

this bill will signal a dramatic and constructive turning point in U.S.-African relations and mark a historic moment in our ties with the states of sub-Saharan Africa.

Last year I introduced S. 778, the Senate version of the original House bill. I took that initiative because I believed the United States must seize the opportunity presented by the end of the Cold War and the fundamental changes already underway in Africa. We should reinforce efforts to promote economic growth and stability and to provide new opportunities for American investors and trade.

The bill seeks to promote economic growth in Africa through enhanced private-sector activity and trade incentives for countries making serious and verifiable economic and political reforms. It seeks to reorient U.S. Africa policy from being based largely on foreign assistance to being based on increased trade, investment, self-help and serious engagement. It is a modest bill that requires no new public appropriations, but it could provide substantial economic opportunities for the United States and African societies.

Two years ago, as I campaigned in the Republican presidential primaries, I spoke on the need for a positive and coherent American policy toward Africa. These remarks came as surprise to many; some responded with bewilderment. They asked why a Republican presidential candidate would talk about Africa. The answer lies, in part, with the underlying rationale behind the African Growth and Opportunity Act, namely that the United States should elevate its policy toward Africa to a level commensurate with Africa's growing importance.

Sub-Saharan Africa can be a new frontier for American trade, investment and economic development. It can be a frontier for the expansion of democracy and market-based economies. It can be a frontier for cooperation in dealing with strategic global problems relating to narcotics, international crime, terrorism, infectious diseases and the environment. Success on each of these foreign policy priorities is important to the United States and to African societies, and it can best be achieved in an Africa that is economically open and politically more accountable and transparent. But this will not happen soon or without tremendous cooperative effort.

Beyond the promise of more prosperity and more stability on the continent, the Africa bill encourages African countries to undertake fundamental political and economic reforms in order to qualify for the trade and investment incentives. It places the burden on African leaders to take initiatives to help themselves. Many have already done so. Those countries that engage in gross violations of human rights, fail to eliminate trade and investment barriers or to improve fiscal policies, or that reject good governance and rule-of-law standards, would not be eligible for duty-free treatment of products under the Generalized System of Preferences, participation in debt reduction programs, projects managed by the Overseas Private Investment Corp., or other trade and investment programs in the bill.

No one can argue that this legislation will transform Africa overnight. But as Africa develops economically, we will benefit by assisting in that growth as new markets develop and mature. Indeed, U.S. exports to sub-Saharan Africa have increased by some 14 percent over the past two years, and bilateral trade now exceeds trade with all the states of the former Soviet Union.



The Africa bill is one of those rare pieces of legislation that has not been inspired by dire crisis, imminent threat or strong domestic pressure. It emerged from the realization that Africa has long been a neglected region of the world and that this neglect does not serve U.S. interests. The bill is visionary in that it acknowledges that Africa is changing, that the United States wants to be a partner in that change, and that we wish to share in Africa's better future. If the United States is a major player in Africa's economic and political transition, we will also be a major beneficiary.

**FROM DIPLOMA TO DOCTORATE:  
100 YEARS IN THE EVOLUTION  
OF THE UNIVERSITY OF TEN-  
NESSEE, MEMPHIS COLLEGE OF  
NURSING**

**HON. ED BRYANT**

OF TENNESSEE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, April 28, 1998*

Mr. BRYANT. Mr. Speaker, I would like to recognize the special anniversary of the Univ. of Tennessee Memphis School of Nursing.

Memphis City Hospital and its school of nursing, identified as the Memphis City Hospital School of Nursing, opened in 1989. Lena Angevine Warner was appointed as Superintendent of Nurses and Director of the School. She is identified as the founder of the School of Nursing that later became part of the University of Tennessee. She resigned in 1900 to serve as an Army contract nurse in Cuba and later served with the Walter Reed Commission that studied yellow fever.

The first class of eight graduated in June, 1900 from the Memphis City Hospital School of Nursing. A 3-year curriculum was implemented in 1913.

By contract with the City of Memphis signed July 22, 1926, "The School of Nursing has been launched on a University basis." The Memphis General Hospital furnished space and equipment and the University of Tennessee provided two nursing faculty members and instruction from its medical college faculty. Miss Winifred Atkinson, director of nursing for the hospital and the school from 1923-1926 was instrumental in bringing about this relationship with the University.

John Gaston Hospital replaced the old General Hospital in 1936. WWII brought practice blackouts and a shortage of nursing faculty and students. UT participated in the U.S. Cadet Nurse Program. Two graduates of the UT School of Nursing—Lts. Imogene Kennedy and Inez McDonald—were captured by the Japanese on with the surrender of U.S. Troops on Corregidor, Philippines. They were prisoners of war from 1942 until early 1945. Miss Ruth Neil Murry became Educational Director of the School in 1944 and Director in 1946.

A 4-year program leading to the BSN began in 1950 and the diploma program phased out in 1954. Under the leadership of Ruth Neil Murry, the school became autonomous in 1949. Murry, the first Dean, served until December 1977.

The City Hospital contract was amended in 1958 and major curriculum change occurred.

National accreditation was awarded in 1960. The school achieved College status in February 1961.

The master's program in nursing admitted its first students in Summer, 1973. Family nurse practitioner and psychiatric-mental health were the initial offerings.

Dr. Michael Carter became Dean late in 1982 and continues in that role. Faculty and Dean Michael Carter placed increasing emphasis on research and practice in the mid 1980s. The college moved into a new building. In 1988 the Doctor of Philosophy with a major in Nursing began. The first PhD in Nursing was awarded in 1992 to June Hansen Larabee.

Over 4,500 nurses have been educated by The University of Tennessee, Memphis College of Nursing.

**TRIBUTE TO DON BYE**

**HON. JAMES L. OBERSTAR**

OF MINNESOTA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, April 28, 1998*

Mr. OBERSTAR. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to Don Bye of Duluth, Minnesota.

Don has rendered long, distinguished, and dedicated service to the City of Duluth, Minnesota's 8th Congressional District, and all of Northern Minnesota. For more than a quarter century, he has served Northern Minnesota in numerous ways through his multifaceted political and community activism.

In particular, I wish to note that Don Bye has completed over a quarter century of service as Chairman of the 8th Congressional District's Democratic-Farmer-Labor (DFL) party and is now entering his 27th year in that capacity. That makes him the longest continuously serving Chairman of any of Minnesota's eight Congressional District DFL committees. I know I am joined by DFLers throughout our district in saying a heartfelt thanks to Don for his tireless, selfless service. Don Bye's greatest contribution has been to show people how to work together. He has brought together individuals with diverse and sometimes contentious positions through his dedication, hard work, and diplomacy. In large part because of his efforts, the 8th District DFL Party has a cohesiveness that is envied by other political groups in the State of Minnesota.

When redistricting was completed following the 1990 census, Don moved quickly to contact county unit chairs from the newly added sections of Minnesota's 8th Congressional District. He made sure that people from Sheburne and Benton counties felt welcome in their new Congressional District and included them early on in activities of the 8th District unit, including important leadership positions.

Don Bye has been a practicing attorney for more than 30 years. He assisted numerous clients in the areas of labor and employment law, public sector labor law, employment discrimination and personal injury law. He was a Member of the Minnesota State Board of Governors from 1989-1992.

Don Bye was instrumental in starting two programs that affected thousands of people in

Duluth: the Share Food Drive and Kids Voting USA. In 1982, Don has an idea for a citywide effort to benefit those less fortunate, known as the Share Food Drive. Don recruited a staff person to organize the new program, and enlisted volunteers from the Duluth area. One weekend a year, boy scouts, union members, and other volunteers go door-to-door collecting food items and cash from Duluth residents. Local trucking companies donate the use of trucks, union members volunteer to drive the trucks, and church organizations offer the use of buildings to assist in the effort. The Share Food Drive generates 20,000 to 40,000 pounds of food a year for the Duluth Food Shelf.

Don Bye knows the future of our country lies in the hands of America's youth, which inspired him to initiate the Kids Voting USA project in Duluth—the first community in Minnesota to participate in Kids Voting USA. Don also served on the original organizing committee. Don and his fellow volunteers, by donating their time and money, made Duluth's Kids Voting USA project a model for the nation. He brought people together and got them excited about the idea of giving school children the chance to participate in the electoral process on Election Day. Under this project, children can pick up a ballot at the polls and vote at their own booth at the same time that the parents are casting their official ballots. Local schools also participate by exposing students to the political process in their social studies and civics classes.

Six thousands school children in Duluth participated in Kids Voting USA in 1994, the first year of the program. By 1996, 31,000 children in ten communities in Northern Minnesota had joined in exercising the privilege enjoyed by millions of American citizens—casting a ballot for candidates for elective public office. Democracy will benefit in the years to come from young people inspired so early in their lives by this unique opportunity to participate in the election process.

I am proud and honored to share with my colleagues this brief, but deserved tribute to Don Bye, who has given so much of himself to enrich the lives of others and to serve his community.

**HONORING COSMOPOLITAN CLUB  
OF ELGIN'S DISTINGUISHED  
SERVICE AWARD RECIPIENT**

**HON. J. DENNIS HASTERT**

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, April 28, 1998*

Mr. HASTERT. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Ms. Susan Rakow, the recipient of this year's Cosmopolitan Club of Elgin's Distinguished Service Award.

The Award is sponsored by the Cosmopolitan Club of the City of Elgin, Illinois, and Ms. Rakow is truly worthy of this honor. She has spent countless hours serving the community of Elgin in a variety of roles, and her contributions have been many.

Honored by the Altrusa International Club of Elgin with its Woman of the Year Award in 1997, and by the YWCA with its Marjorie

Leonard Community Service Award in 1988. Ms. Rakow has served on the boards of the Jayne Shover Easter Seal Center, the Elgin Symphony, and the Sherman Hospital Auxiliary. She has also been active with Elgin U-46 public schools, serving both as a substitute teacher and as a member of the Instructional Council, has served as President of the Elgin Enrichment Series for several years and has been active in her local church.

Mr. Speaker, I congratulate the Cosmopolitan Club of Elgin, Illinois in my district on their selection, and urge you and my colleagues to join me in honoring Ms. Susan Rakow for her years of service to her community and for her selection as this year's recipient of the Cosmopolitan Club of Elgin's Distinguished Service Award.

#### TRIBUTE TO HUBERT "DUDER" DUDERSTADT

#### HON. MARION BERRY

OF ARKANSAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, April 28, 1998

Mr. BERRY. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to Hubert "Duder" Duderstadt.

Duder was a child immigrant from Germany. He came to this country with almost nothing and was a classic example of the success immigrants represent to this nation and what they have added to the culture we all enjoy today.

Duder was an example of what hard work and clean living will do.

Married to the same woman, Alberta, for 56 years, raising three successful children and achieving ownership of his own farm were measures of such success.

He clearly fulfilled the Will Rogers comment "I never met a man I didn't like," and it was always a pleasure to run into Duder. He was an accomplished farmer and wine maker and greatly appreciated by the community.

Always ready to do his part for the community, civic club, school, church, or profession, he never failed to pitch in.

He demonstrated by example what it means to be a Christian, good citizen, successful farmer, husband, and father.

He will be remembered, as we say in Gillett, Arkansas, as "a good man."

#### A TRIBUTE TO THE COMMUNITY COALITION PROJECT

#### HON. JERRY LEWIS

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, April 28, 1998

Mr. LEWIS of California. Mr. Speaker, I would like to bring to your attention the fine work and dedication of a group of outstanding teachers, staff, and other individuals to the students of San Bernardino County, California. On May 12th, the San Bernardino County Superintendent of Schools will honor some of the finest teachers in California at a Celebration of Excellence, a dinner and recognition program honoring the work of the Community Coalition project.

The Community Coalition is a countywide partnership project established to respond to the needs of public education through collaborative partnerships. As a result of this effort, successful programs have been put in place for San Bernardino County students in the areas of literacy, technology, school safety and career preparation. Clearly, the success of this project is tied directly to the teachers, staff and other partners who have worked diligently on this effort within the last three years.

The teachers who will be honored for their work with early literacy include Diane Harlan, Celeste Danjou, Dawn Fletcher, Sue Rhoades, Mary Gee, Terry Rogers, Audrey Howard, Tine Pelletier, Donna Libutti, Luanne Rhodes, Patty Dipaolo, Audrey Folden, Helen Rockett, Hester Turpin, Ava Gonick, Susan Birrell, Vickie Holman, Aleen Massey, Liz Fragua, Cathy Richardson, Joan Carey, Sue Cornell, Lynne Merryfield, Arlene Mistretta, Janie Pierson, Darwin Ruhle, Iris Tramp, Denie Cates-Darnell, Caroleen Cosand, Jean Fenn, Carol Besser, Londa Carter, Denise Dugger, Cynthia Freymueller, Rachael Emery, Judy Lowrie, Marge Ruffalo, Laura Chapman, Luis Ibarra, Chris Richards, and Melody Davidsmeier.

Being recognized for their work in technology education are Jim Roller, Steve Bailey, Cindy Robinson, Ruthetta Brandt, Leandra Pearson, Kathy Gilbert, Jim Evans, Noelle Kreider, Alexis Carlson, John Patten, Bob Watson, and Linda Jungwirth. Those praised for their work on the focus on the future include Judith Pratt, Michelle Beutler, Dr. Bill Clark, Carrie Childress, Jeff Drozd, Patricia Merriam, Skip Brown, Laura Brundige, Jerry Bennett, Geri Kubanek-York, Jere Lloyd, Leslie Rodden, and Pam Stockard.

In addition, the following individuals will be recognized for their work with school safety: Norma Ashworth, Robert Martinez, David Mann, Beth Henry, Sally Foster, Marc Divine, Cathy Magana, Tim Kelleghan, Tina Maeda, Jimmie Jimenez, Rich Laabs, Michael Vance, Debbie Fairfax, and Joe Kaempher.

Mr. Speaker, I ask you to join me and our colleagues in recognizing the fine work of these individuals. Barry Pulliam, the County Superintendent of Schools is also worthy of praise for his outstanding leadership on the Community Coalition project. Efforts to educate our students and prepare them for the future are certainly worthy of our recognition and it is only fitting that the House pay tribute to these fine citizens today.

#### REMEMBERING REV. CLAUDE HEITHAUS—"A CIVIL RIGHTS TRAILBLAZER"

#### HON. WILLIAM (BILL) CLAY

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, April 28, 1998

Mr. CLAY. Mr. Speaker. Trailblazers are people who take chances and stand up for what's right, even when the status quo tells them the time is "not right". Trailblazers change the course of history, as Rev. Claude Heithaus did at Saint Louis University on a day in February 1944 when he delivered a sermon that led to integration in higher edu-

cation in the city of St. Louis. As a proud alumnus of Saint Louis University and beneficiary of Rev. Heithaus' courageous actions, I commend to our colleagues the April 14, 1998 St. Louis Post Dispatch article, titled "Priest led the fight for university integration", which tells of the great sacrifice Rev. Heithaus made for the benefit of racial harmony. It is my hope that our colleagues in the struggle for racial equality and justice will find strength in this story.

#### PRIEST LED FIGHT FOR UNIVERSITY INTEGRATION

(By Paul Shore)

St. Louis is rich in history, and we honor those who have contributed to its history in a number of ways: by naming parks, streets, hospitals and schools after them, or by keeping their memory alive by dedicating a civic project or program to them. Yet an important figure in the history of our city continues to go largely unacknowledged. His name was Claude Heithaus, and this spring marks the 100th anniversary of his birth.

Before Brown vs. the Board of Education had made its way to the Supreme Court in 1954, before the Archdiocese of St. Louis had integrated its schools, when St. Louis was an entirely segregated city, the Rev. Claude Heithaus, a Jesuit priest, took it upon himself to preach a sermon in the St. Frances Xavier (College) Church of St. Louis University, where he was a faculty member. In this sermon, which he delivered on the morning of Feb. 11, 1944, he called upon his listeners to repudiate racism and welcome people of color to the university. His words were uncompromising as he called upon the community to face its prejudice and hypocrisy:

"Do you want us to slam our doors in the face of Catholics, because their complexion happens to be brown or black? It (the claim that white students would refuse to attend classes with people of color) is a lie. I see that you repudiate it with indignation. You scorn it all the more because some of the very people who disseminate this lie have themselves sent their sons to Harvard and Yale, where they were glad to sit in the same classrooms with Negroes."

Heithaus' call to justice, which he couched in religious as well as moral terms, did not go unnoticed. Within the year, St. Louis University became the first institution of higher learning in a former slave state to admit African-Americans, and the city of St. Louis thereby became the scene of one of the most important breakthroughs in racial integration.

Heithaus soon departed from St. Louis. Because he had preached the sermon without the permission or support of his Jesuit superior and had continued to call attention to the problems of racism, he was banished, first to Kansas and then to Milwaukee.

Late in life he was allowed to return to the St. Louis area, where he lived quietly, never speaking publicly again on the topic of race relations. He died in 1976.

In the story of Heithaus' courage and determination there is much that St. Louis can be proud of. He risked—and lost—a great deal in order to further a process of acceptance, toleration and integration that remains unfinished in our community.

Although the first part of his story is fairly well known, the price he paid is less well known, and neither the university nor the community has ever formally recognized his accomplishments and sacrifices.

After his speech and his subsequent refusal to drop the issue of race relations, his career



as a teacher was severely curtailed. A valuable collection of antiques that he had acquired on his travels was lost or destroyed. His work as a trainer of young journalists (a quarter century earlier he had founded St. Louis University's University News) came to an end as well.

Even after the policies that Heithaus had called for became an accepted reality, he was never publicly thanked or even acknowledged by this community for his role in their realization, although the Father General of the Jesuits and the French government eventually recognized his accomplishments.

While much of the responsibility for this acknowledgement lies with the school where I work, St. Louis University, some of it ultimately lies with the community that also benefited from his vision and persistence. His commitment and his ideals should not be forgotten.

I call upon St. Louis University to mark the hundredth anniversary of Claude Heithaus' birth with some gesture worthy of his beliefs. I also call upon the greater St. Louis community to reflect on the actions of someone, who, when it was still politically incorrect, sought to widen educational opportunities for people of color. Surely there is a place in our city for some remembrance of him, a way to call attention to his ideals.

Heithaus is of course not the only unsung hero of St. Louis history. In the past 200 years, many men and women in this community have stood for worthy but unpopular causes and paid high prices for their beliefs. We should give each one recognition, not only out of respect for what they did, but also for what their lives can offer all of us as models of courage and vision. And by honoring Claude Heithaus, we would be making a very good start.

IN HONOR OF MISSION SAN JOSE  
ROTARY CLUB FOR ITS 15 YEARS  
OF SERVICE TO THE 13TH CON-  
GRESSIONAL DISTRICT

**HON. FORTNEY PETE STARK**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, April 28, 1998*

Mr. STARK. Mr. Speaker, I would like to take this opportunity to recognize the Mission San Jose Rotary Club for its extensive contributions to the quality of life in the Fremont community.

Over the last fifteen years, Mission San Jose Rotary has been actively involved in the community through more than 45 projects benefiting the Mission San Jose, Serra Center, Ardenwood Park, Fremont Senior Center, Mission San Jose Museum, and many other worthy recipients.

In addition, in 1986 Mission San Jose Rotary became one of the first clubs to champion the admission of women members, well before Rotary International recognized full participation by females. The club has sponsored two new Rotary clubs, sponsored four foreign exchange students, and counts more than 60% Paul Harris Fellows among its members. Mission San Jose Rotary has also contributed substantially to the Polio Plus Campaign and the Mission San Jose restoration.

I also commend Mission San Jose Rotary for having prepared and served many thousands of meals at the Centerville Free Dining

Room, and for their internationally acclaimed chili and famous linguica burgers, which have raised nearly \$300,000 for charity.

Throughout its existence, Mission San Jose Rotary has been acclaimed many times for its excellent service. On May 1, 1998, the Mission San Jose Rotary Club will celebrate the 15th Anniversary of its founding, and I would like to express my sincere appreciation for the dedicated efforts that have produced so many civic achievements. Congratulations, and I look forward to another fifteen years of exceptional service.

IN HONOR OF LT. COL. MICHAEL  
PRUSAK

**HON. VIC FAZIO**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, April 28, 1998*

Mr. FAZIO of California. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Lt. Col. Michael Prusak, Director of Logistics for the Sacramento Air Logistics Center, McClellan Air Force Base, California. He is a Command Navigator, with more than 2,500 hours in the FB-111 and the T-43 aircraft. Lieutenant Colonel Prusak will be retiring on 1 August 1998, after a distinguished career highlighted by many challenging assignments.

As Director of Logistics, Lieutenant Colonel Prusak manages the supply and transportation support for the Air Logistics Center and the 77th Air Base Wing. He oversees more than 250 military and civilian personnel, with an annual budget of nearly \$1 million.

Lieutenant Colonel Prusak was born in Germany, in December 1947. He grew up in Boston, Massachusetts, and graduated from Boston Technical High School. He attended and graduated from Lowell Technological Institute in 1973 with a degree in Industrial Engineering. In 1981, he graduated from the University of Southern California with a Masters in Systems Management.

After flight training at Reese Air Force Base, Texas, in 1974, Lieutenant Colonel Prusak was assigned to the 380th Bombardment Wing at Plattsburgh Air Force Base, New York. At Reese Air Force Base he flew the Strategic Air Command's FB-111, and became one of the first 1st Lieutenant instructors of the aircraft. In 1980, he was assigned to Mather Air Force Base, California, as an Undergraduate Navigator Training instructor. While there, he became a flight commander and helped develop the curriculum for the dual track navigator training system, which is still in use today.

In 1985, Lieutenant Colonel Prusak was assigned to the 509th Bombardment Wing at Pease Air Force Base, New Hampshire, and requalified in the FB-111. While there, he became the assistant air operations officer, and chief of aircrew scheduling and training for the 393d Bombardment Squadron—the same squadron that dropped atomic bombs on Hiroshima and Nagasaki during the final days of World War II. In January 1988, he became the Deputy Commander for Resource Management for the 509th, where he helped manage the Wing Supply and Transportation Squad-

rons, along with Wing Mobility, Base Contracts, and Base Comptroller divisions.

Lieutenant Colonel Prusak was assigned in 1989 to the Sacramento Air Logistics Center as assistant program manager for the F-111 Digital Flight Control Modification Program. He went on to become the Program Manager for the F-111 Stores Management Upgrade modification program in 1990, followed by the position of Branch Chief for all F-111 modifications. In January 1993, Lieutenant Colonel Prusak attended the Defense Systems Management College at Ft. Belvoir, Virginia. Upon his return to McClellan, he became the Assistant F-111 System Program Director, ultimately, becoming the Director of Logistics in March 1995.

Lieutenant Colonel Prusak also gave much of himself to the citizens of California. He has been, and continues to be, an extremely active volunteer pilot for the Civil Air Patrol—having flown more than 100 training and search and rescue missions in northern California. Many of these life saving missions involve flying low level sorties in the valleys of the Sierra Nevada Mountain Range, placing him in great personal danger. Following his retirement from the United States Air Force, his role will expand as he assumes the position of the California Wing Liaison Officer of the Civil Air Patrol, at McClellan Air Force Base.

Lieutenant Colonel Prusak is the recipient of many awards, including the Meritorious Service Medal with one oak leaf cluster, the Air Force Commendation Medal with one oak leaf cluster, the Air Force Outstanding Unit Award, the Air Force Organizational Excellence Award, the Combat Readiness Medal, the National Defense Service Medal, and the Southwest Asia Service Medal.

I join my colleagues today in honoring Lieutenant Colonel Prusak for his 24 years of dedicated and distinguished service to the United States Air Force, the state of California, and our nation. We send best wishes to him, his wife Linda, and their children Jennifer, Erica, and Gabriel and wish him continued success at his new position with the Civil Air Patrol.

IN RECOGNITION OF THE FOUND-  
ING OF THE TEXAS CENTER FOR  
SUPERCONDUCTIVITY AT THE  
UNIVERSITY OF HOUSTON

**HON. SHEILA JACKSON-LEE**

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, April 28, 1998*

Ms. JACKSON-LEE of Texas. Mr. Speaker, I rise in recognition and gratitude for the outstanding work done by Dr. Paul Chu and his colleagues at the Texas Center for Superconductivity on the problem of High Temperature Superconductivity. As a member of the House Science Committee, I often hear references made for the excellent work of Dr. Paul Chu and the Texas Center for Superconductivity located at the University of Houston. I have also taken great pleasure in working with Dr. Chu on legislative and administrative matters in Washington related to the support of the center.

From the Center's beginnings in 1987 with the endorsement of the 70th Legislature of the

State of Texas your efforts to find solutions to fundamental and practical questions in High Temperature Superconductivity have been noteworthy. Beginning with a staff of seven, the Texas Center for Superconductivity at the University of Houston is now the largest and most comprehensive Center of its type in the nation. Your great achievements serve as a testament to the past decade of hard work and progress in the new scientific and technological field of High Temperature Superconductivity.

With the multiple mission of basic and applied research, technology development and transfer, and providing advanced training and education, the Texas Center for Superconductivity at the University of Houston's researchers and students continue to search for solutions to fundamental and practical questions in High Temperature Superconductivity.

These efforts on behalf of science have enabled this important research program to expand into the world's leading Center for bulk high temperature superconductivity and related materials. We in Texas feel that their presence in the City of Houston has led to this prominent position in this highly technical field of study.

On behalf of the residents of the 18th Congressional District, I offer Dr. Chu and his colleagues congratulations and best wishes for continued success in the area of High Temperature Superconductivity.

IN HONOR OF DR. STANLEY  
NUSSBAUM

HON. CHARLES E. SCHUMER

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, April 28, 1998*

Mr. SCHUMER. Mr. Speaker, I am pleased to have the opportunity today to recognize Dr. Stanley Nussbaum, who is being honored by the Herbert Tenzer Five Towns Democratic Club at its annual brunch on May 3. Dr. Nussbaum has been an outstanding member of his community and his personal commitments both civic and religious have bettered the lives of his neighbors on Long Island.

Dr. Nussbaum's devotion has led him to contribute to the Jewish community in many ways. He sits on the boards of the Conference of Jewish Organizations of Nassau County and the American Committee for Israeli MIA's in addition to being a trustee of Temple Beth El of Cedarhurst and a former trustee of the American Jewish Committee. He is also a past president of the Five Towns Jewish Council.

Civic duty has also played a major role in Stan's life, leading him into an active role in the Democratic party. He serves as Leader in the 20th Assembly District and has been a member of the Nassau Democratic County Committee for twenty-five years. He was the zone leader of Lawrence-Cedarhurst and served as President of the Five Towns Democratic Club from 1978-1980 and 1984-1990. Dr. Nussbaum was a Clinton delegate for the

1992 Democratic National Convention and was elected as a New York State Committeeman in 1994.

Dr. Nussbaum has also been successful in both his professional and private life and is a life member of the American Dental Society. He and his wife Toby are the proud parents of three children, Felice, Hillary and Larry, and of two grandchildren, Ananda and Sierra.

Dr. Stanley Nussbaum has made great contributions to society as a professional, a leader, a religious man, and a father. His community, indeed all of Long Island, have been improved by his efforts.

HONORING PRESIDENT K.R.  
NARAYANAN WITH THE STATES-  
MAN OF THE YEAR AWARD

HON. GARY L. ACKERMAN

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, April 28, 1998*

Mr. ACKERMAN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today with my colleagues to honor an extraordinary man, the President of India, Mr. K.R. Narayanan. Tonight he is receiving the Appeal of Conscience "Statesman of the Year" award, and it is hard to find someone who is more deserving of this honor.

Mr. Speaker, President Narayanan has had a distinguished career in public service for almost half a century. He served with distinction in the Indian Foreign Service for over 30 years, eventually serving as India's Ambassador to the United States from 1980 to 1984. It was after his tenure in Washington that he then entered the realm of politics, and served as a Member of Parliament from the district in which he was born from 1985 to 1992, at which time he was elected to serve as India's Vice President. In July of 1997, Mr. Narayanan, I am proud to say, assumed the office of the President of India. He has also, over the course of his career, become an accomplished author of several books and articles on social, political and international theory.

During his tenure, President Narayanan has shown a great respect for human rights in general, the rights of minorities in particular, and the rule of law. As the leader of the largest democracy in the world, he has done a remarkable job in continuing to move India in the direction of economic liberalization and ever greater political freedom. India's most recent parliamentary elections demonstrate the stability of this nation and the leadership that President Narayanan has provided in stewarding the country through a fairly tumultuous year in domestic politics.

In international affairs, President Narayanan has shown an innate ability to get along with leaders of all stripes, and work for the common good, not merely for India's interests, as we continue to navigate through the uncertainties of the post-Cold War era. He is a diplomat, a public servant, an educator, and an author, but more importantly, he is a con-

cerned human being and citizen of the world, who is dedicated to ensuring that those who can't care for themselves are cared for. Most of all he is unswerving in the notion that all people, no matter their origin, race or other distinction, deserve peace, happiness and security in life. On the occasion of the nations of India and Israel celebrating their 50th year in existence, I think it is important to point out that these were the basic principles upon which they were both founded, and the same ones which my good friend President Narayanan sincerely and honestly espouses.

That is why the "Appeal of Conscience" Statesman of the Year award so befits President Narayanan.

BOB ETHERIDGE HONORING CAPT.  
FULTON PERSHING LANIER

HON. BOB ETHERIDGE

OF NORTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, April 28, 1998*

Mr. ETHERIDGE. Mr. Speaker, I rise to honor the life of Captain Fulton Pershing Lanier of Buies Creek, North Carolina, for his service to the people of the United States of America. Captain Fulton served honorably in the United States Army Air Corps from 1941 to 1944.

United States service men and women place themselves in harm's way to protect the freedoms we hold dear in America. Many of these brave individuals return home to build and lead their communities. Tragically, Fulton Lanier did not have such an opportunity.

On January 31, 1944, then 1st Lieutenant Lanier, along with 1st Lieutenant Frank M. Ramos, Corporal Joseph Petrella, Private First Class Eugene E. Beebe, and Private First Class Bartholomew R. Giacalone, boarded his C-87 Liberator and piloted what would be his final mission. These five men perished in service to humanity, supplying food, medical and other supplies to Allied forces of China.

Fulton Lanier's legacy may have been greater than even he could have imagined. His service and sacrifice for our country has been permanently instilled in the hearts and minds of his family and all who knew him. Fulton Pershing Lanier is an American hero.

Fifty-four years later, the Lanier family received notice that wreckage from this fateful flight was recovered. Upon notification, the Lanier family has embarked on a mission of studying and sharing the story and example of this young man from Buies Creek.

Fulton Lanier paid the ultimate sacrifice in service to the United States of America, serving his family, community, state, and nation. His burial with full military honors at Arlington National Cemetery on January 23, 1998, was only a small way his nation can acknowledge the debt owed to Fulton Lanier and his family that can never be repaid.

I am honored to report to the House on the heroism of Captain Fulton Pershing Lanier. May God bless him in his place of resting.